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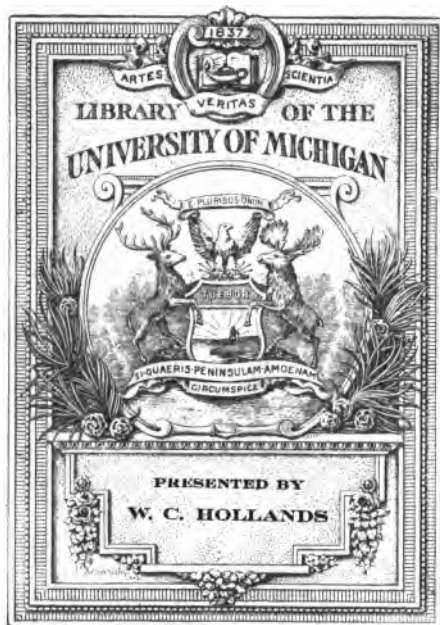
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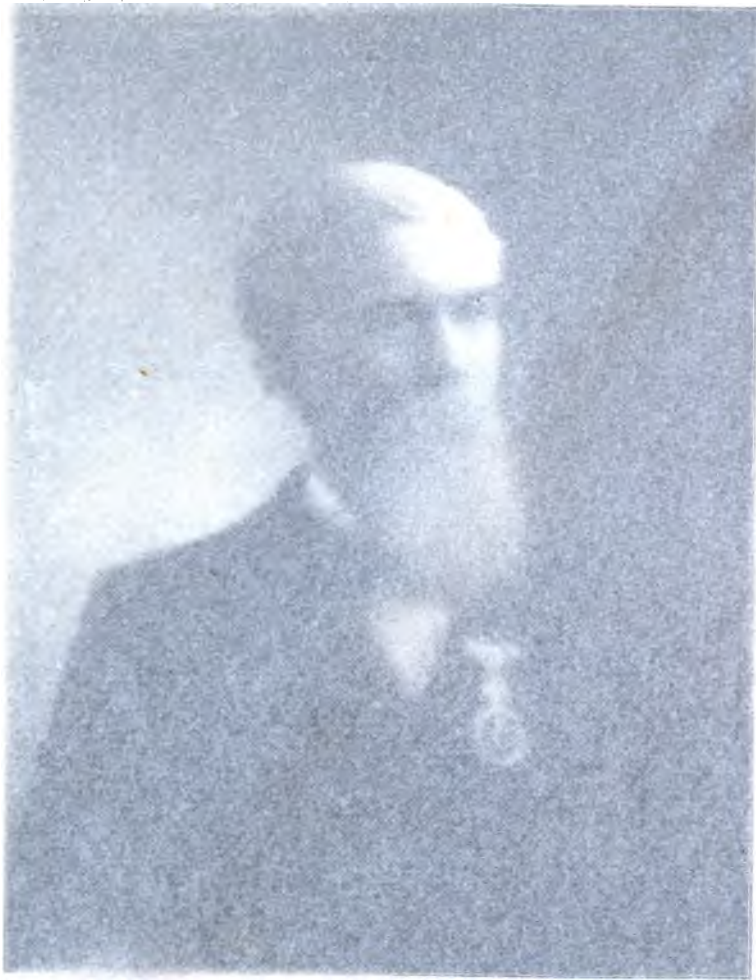
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FORTY-FOURTH ANNUAL ASSEMBLY.

FIRST DAY—EVENING SESSION.

DETROIT, January 20, 1902.

The forty-fourth annual assembly of the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of the State of Michigan was held in the Masonic Temple in the City of Detroit, commencing on Monday, January 20, A. D., 1902, at seven o'clock, P. M.

GRAND OFFICERS PRESENT.

Comp. ITHAMER T. SMITH, Ill. M. I. Grand Master.
Comp. BYRON C. HILL, Ill. Deputy Grand Master.
Comp. JOHN H. KINGSLEY, Ill. Gd. Prin. Cond. of Work.
Comp. CHARLES M. NORTON, Ill. Grand Treasurer.
Comp. JEFFERSON S. CONOVER, Ill. Grand Recorder.
Comp. REV. FRANCIS A. BLADES, Ill. Grand Chaplain.
Comp. LEWIS C. GOODRICH, Ill. Grand Lecturer.
Comp. DALLAS D. ALTON, Ill. Grand Capt. of Guard.
Comp. PAUL A. COWGILL, Ill. Grand Cond. of Council.
Comp. BAYARD A. CHURCH, Ill. Grand Steward.
Comp. JAMES F. MCGREGOR, Grand Sentinel.

GRAND COUNCIL OF

The Grand Council having been opened in AMPLE FORM, by the Most Illustrious Grand Master and his associate Grand Officers, the Grand Recorder proceeded to call the roll and the following Grand Officers, Past Grand Officers, Representatives of Subordinate Councils and Grand Representatives were found to be present:

GRAND OFFICERS.

ITHAMER T. SMITH, Most Illustrious Grand Master.
 BYRON C. HILL, Deputy Grand Master.
 JOHN H. KINGSLEY, Grand Principal Conductor of Work.
 CHARLES M. NORTON, Grand Treasurer.
 JEFFERSON S. CONOVER, Grand Recorder.
 REV. FRANCIS A. BLADES, Grand Chaplain.
 LEWIS C. GOODRICH, Grand Lecturer.
 DALLAS D. ALTON, Grand Captain of Guard.
 PAUL A. COWGILL, Grand Conductor of Council.
 BAYARD A. CHURCH, Grand Steward.
 JAMES F. MCGREGOR, Grand Sentinel.

PAST M. I. GRAND MASTERS.

D. Burnham Tracy,	Traverse Phillips.
David Woodward,	Horace E. Hatch.
William G. Hudson,	Frank N. Clark.
James H. Cummins,	Emerson M. Newell.
Allen McKee,	George P. McMahon.
Thomas G. Greene,	Charles M. Norton.
	Richard A. Catton.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

James H. Cummins, Emerson M. Newell, Richard A. Cottrell.

REPRESENTATIVES OF COUNCILS.

Monroe, No. 1—Isaac M. Bates, T. I. M.; Arthur H. McCloud,
 D. M.; Charles F. May, P. C. W.
 Pontiac, No. 3—George W. Dickinson, T. I. M.
 River Raisin, No. 4—Gerry G. Covell, T. I. M.; John D. Pher-
 don, P. C. W.
 Jonesville, No. 5—Dorr Darling, T. I. M.
 Mt. Moriah, No. 6—Charles N. Legg, T. I. M.; Chas. A. Con-
 over, P. C. W.

Mt. Clemens, No. 8—Not represented.

Zabud, No. 9—Richard Forker, T. I. M.; William Backofen,
D. M.

Tyre, No. 10—Fred H. Hosford, T. I. M.

Union, No. 11—Horace G. Prettyman, T. I. M.; Ed W. Staebler,
D. M.

Ionia, No. 12—Palmer H. Taylor, proxy for T. I. M.

Sturgis, No. 13—Henry S. Church, proxy for T. I. M.

Mt. Ararat, No. 15—William P. Perry, P. C. W.

Putnam, No. 16—Edward D. Clarke, P. C. W., proxy for T. I. M.

Adrian, No. 18—Charles B. Pennock, T. I. M.; John W. Finch,
D. M.

Niles, No. 19—Lucian E. Wood, proxy for T. I. M.

Saginaw, No. 20—Clement Johnson, T. I. M.

St. Johns, No. 21—Fred E. Swain, T. I. M.

Portland, No. 23—William H. White, T. I. M.

Adoniram, No. 24—Clarence W. Case, P. C. W., proxy for T.
I. M.

King Solomon, No. 25—James W. Morton, T. I. M.

Clinton, No. 26—E. Van De Mark, P. C. W.

Oceana, No. 27—Herbert F. Sands, P. C. W., proxy for T. I. M.

Lansing, No. 29—Jacob W. Ferle, T. I. M.

Jackson, No. 32—Charles H. Patterson, T. I. M.

Ithaca, No. 33—George Richardson, T. I. M.

Union City, No. 35—George W. Buell, P. C. W.

Charlotte, No. 36—Horace S. Maynard, T. I. M.

Nebuzaradan, No. 37—James P. Klotz, proxy for T. I. M.

Corunna, No. 38—Oscar C. Moore, proxy for T. I. M.

Holly, No. 39—James McGonegal, T. I. M.

Lapeer, No. 42—James Wier, Sr., T. I. M.

Lawrence, No. 43—Harry A. Martin, T. I. M.

St. Joseph, No. 44—W. C. Hovey, proxy for T. I. M.

South Haven, No. 45—Milford T. French, D. M.

Manistee, No. 46—Samuel J. Chapman, T. I. M.

Ludington, No. 48—Augustus D. Woodward, T. I. M.

Giblum, No. 49—Marcus W. Riker, proxy for T. I. M.

Leslie, No. 50—Not represented.

Grand Haven, No. 51—William Summers, Representative.

Petoskey, No. 52—Will Z. Searle, T. I. M.

Bay City, No. 53—Frank O. Gilbert, proxy for T. I. M.

Muskegon, No. 54—James J. Mather, proxy for T. I. M.

Reed City, No. 55—Chas. E. Gerhardt, P. C. W., proxy for T. I. M.

Flint, No. 56—John McKercher, T. I. M.

Albion, No. 57—J. Dell Mapes, T. I. M.

Sahgonahkato, No. 58—James H. Kerr, proxy for T. I. M.

Marine City, No. 55—Richard A. Cottrell, P. C. W.

Inverness, No. 60—Wilbur F. Reed, proxy for T. I. M.

Traverse City, No. 61—Elwyn H. Pope, P. C. W., proxy for T. I. M.

Grand Ledge, No. 62—J. Vincent Jones, T. I. M.

Kalamazoo, No. 63—Wilbur F. Cowlbeck, D. M., proxy for T. I. M.

Williamston, No. 64—Albert J. Rockwell, T. I. M.; Chas. W. Williams. D. M.

Hiawatha, No. 65—J. H. McCallum, proxy for T. I. M.

King Cyrus, No. 67—Not represented.

St. Louis, No. 68—Richard E. Hughes, T. I. M.: John R. Wilson, D. M.

Sault Ste. Marie, No. 69—G. H. Hill, proxy for T. I. M.

Cadillac, No. 70—Not represented.

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES.

ALABAMA—Will Z. Searle.

CALIFORNIA—Bayard A. Church.

CANADA—George P. McMahon.

CONNECTICUT—Ithamer T. Smith.

FLORIDA—Richard A. Catton.

ILLINOIS—Jefferson S. Conover.

INDIANA—John W. Finch.

KENTUCKY—James H. Cummins.

MARYLAND—Allen McKee.

MASSACHUSETTS—Lou B. Winsor.

MINNESOTA—Lewis Cass Goodrich.

MISSOURI—William G. Hudson.

NEW YORK—Emerson M. Newell.

NEW HAMPSHIRE—Horace S. Maynard.

NORTH CAROLINA—Traverse Phillips.

OREGON—Charles M. Norton.

PENNSYLVANIA—Frank N. Clark.

RHODE ISLAND—David Woodward.

SOUTH CAROLINA—Dow Darling.

TENNESSEE—Paul A. Cowgill.

GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS.

Most Illustrious Grand Master Ithamer T. Smith read his annual address, as follows:

Companions of Michigan:

In compliance with the requirements of our constitution and through the mercy of Divine Providence, we are again permitted to meet in Grand Council, on this our forty-fourth annual assembly, for the purpose of transacting such business as may properly come before this Grand Body, and render an account of our services to the craft. It is fitting at this time to lift our hearts in gratitude and thanksgiving to our Supreme Grand Master for the many blessings which have crowned our days, and invoke his guidance and protection for the future.

The past year has been an eventful one. The assassin and the natural reaper in the fields of mortality have each gathered a full harvest.

The habiliments of mourning have been manifest on every side. Our beloved President, William McKinley, when in the fullness of his success, his life work still unfinished, fell by the untimely deed of an assassin, plunging our country into a grief so appalling that the entire world wept in sympathy for us. From under the clouds of this national calamity comes the sound of mourning among our immediate alters.

On the 10th of June the inevitable alarm came to our sanctuary calling our beloved Past Most Illustrious

Grand Master Lloyd B. Hess from labor to eternal rest, at a time when life was sweet, and he had just begun to enjoy its happy reflections. The commandery of which he was a member conducted the burial service and consigned his remains to their final rest at Three Rivers.

On September the 27th, at his home in St. Johns, our Worthy Past Most Illustrious Grand Master George H. Stephenson, after a long and painful illness, was relieved of his troubles and received his rich reward. His commandery performed the last sad rites with this Grand Council present as mourners. Five daughters and two sons survive him.

From Pennsylvania comes the sad news that on the 13th of April, at his home in Bloomsburg, Past Most Illustrious Grand Master Christian F. Knapp passed in peace to the home of the blest.

Massachusetts sends us the sad intelligence that their Past Most Illustrious Grand Master George W. Bentley was summoned into the presence of his King Eternal, from his home in Greenwich, on the 19th of June; he being the oldest living Past Grand Master of that jurisdiction at the time of his death.

Under date of August 13, I received the announcement of the death of Illustrious Companion Elijah M. Beatty at his home in Tacoma, Washington. Companion Beatty was the first Thrice Illustrious Master installed in that state.

From Ohio we learn that on the 11th of August, at his home in Tiffin, their Illustrious Companion John W. Chamberlin laid down the working tools of life and went to the place of wages, and Ohio lost a just and upright Mason.

On the 10th of October, at his home in Chicago,

Illinois lost one of her brightest and highly respected companions, Doctor Frederic C. Winslow, a polished gentleman, a genial companion and an accomplished ritualist; his wife having died before, his two sons survive him.

At the home of the Grand Recorder in Jackson, Mississippi, at 32 minutes past 2, on the morning of September 24, with the Most Illustrious Grand Master kneeling in prayer at his bedside, the spirit of Illustrious Companion John Logan Power took its flight. The record of this companion's life is a glorious one. He was an almost exact counterpart of our late lamented and dearly beloved General Innes, which statement alone is enough to immortalize him.

One wore the gray and the other the blue,
But the hearts of both were certainly true.

Let us cherish their memory and imitate their virtues.

I desire at this time to express my thanks to the Most Illustrious Grand Master of Connecticut for the tender fraternal mention he made respecting the death of our beloved Companion Bovee.

OFFICIAL ACTS.

My official acts have been few and are as follows:

February 9, I approved the official bond of our Illustrious Grand Treasurer, Charles M. Norton.

On the above date I received a communication from Thrice Illustrious Master Charles D. Blanchard, of Marquette, stating that Council, No. 66, must cease for want of available material and expressed their desire to surrender their charter. I therefore advised him to send the charter, records, etc., to our Grand Recorder, which he did, except the charter, which could not be found.



Agreeable to the recommendation of the Committee on Charters and Dispensations, I communicated with Thrice Illustrious Master McCullough, of Northville, urging him to make another effort to keep No. 30 upon its feet. I visited Northville February 17; they being unable to get a quorum I directed Companion McCullough, after hearing the situation, to forward the charter, records, etc., to Companion Conover and he did so.

February 12, I signed the charter for Cadillac Council, No. 70, to take the place of the one destroyed by fire and forwarded the same to the Deputy Grand Master for his signature.

On the 13th of March, I received a communication from Thrice Illustrious Master Alton, of Pentwater, asking permission to hold special meeting on the evening of March 11 for the purpose of balloting and conferring the several degrees of Cryptic Masonry upon three candidates duly referred at their last regular which I granted.

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES.

January 19, in response to a communication from the Grand Council of Kansas, I commissioned Illustrious Companion Thomas G. Fitch, of Wichita, as our representative near the Grand Council of Kansas, and nominated Illustrious Companion Aulsbrook, of Sturgis, he being the companion of their choice as their representative near the Grand Council of Michigan.

February 22, in answer to a request from the Grand Council of South Carolina for a successor to Illustrious Companion Mitchell, who, being nearly blind, wished to be relieved, I nominated Illustrious Companion Dorr Darling, of Jonesville, in his stead, and commissioned the companion of their choice, Companion James R. Johnson,

of Charleston, as our representative near the Grand Council of South Carolina.

December 16, on request of the Most Illustrious Grand Master of Iowa, wishing an exchange of representative, I presented the name of our Illustrious Companion John H. Kingsley, of Manchester.

December 26, by request of the Most Illustrious Grand Master of Mississippi, I commissioned Illustrious Companion J. J. Brooks as our representative near the Grand Council of Mississippi, at the same time presented the name of Illustrious Companion Frederic E. Swain, of St. Johns, as their representative near the Grand Council of Michigan.

On the 6th of May, through the advice of our Grand Recorder and others, in view of the helpless condition of our Past Most Illustrious Grand Master, George H. Stephenson, whose long illness, of necessity, placed him in need, I signed a warrant for the salary of the year he was Grand Master, which was duly forwarded and thankfully received.

January 15, 1902, by request of the Most Illustrious Grand Master of Illinois, I renominated our Illustrious Companion J. S. Conover, of Coldwater, whose term had expired, as their representative near the Grand Council of Michigan.

On the evening of January 7, 1902, I visited Clinton Council, No. 26. The Deputy Grand Master, Grand Principal Conductor of the Work and a large number of visiting companions were present and witnessed the exemplification of the council degrees upon a class of thirteen candidates to their entire satisfaction and the delight of all present. The Super-Excellent Master's degree was rendered by an entirely new team; their work was good.

I have communicated with every council in the jurisdiction, and from their reports I find the outlook encouraging, the finances are better and more meetings held than in the year before.

Companions, the sands that mark the closing hours of my administration are nearly exhausted. The emblem of authority will soon pass to other competent and loyal hands, and I only regret that I was not in shape to serve you better. For the last three years I have not been able to hear the work. These considerations constrained me to step aside and let some one more capable than myself execute your designs, but you took no exceptions to my misfortune and left the door of the Grand Council open for my reception. I accepted the trust and did my best. I now wish to thank each and every one of you for your generous support and my Worthy Grand Recorder for that valuable assistance of which none but the Master can fully appreciate.

ITHAMAR T. SMITH,

Most Ill. Grand Master.

On motion of Companion R. A. Catton, the address was referred to a special committee of three for division and reference, and Companions Chas. E. Gerhardt, Dorr Darling and Herbert F. Sands were named as such committee.

STANDING COMMITTEES APPOINTED.

According to the requirements of the constitution, the M. I. Grand Master announced the appointment of the following standing committees:

Jurisprudence—Thomas G. Greene, Charles N. Legg, J. Dell Mapes.

Charters and Dispensations—Frank N. Clark, P. G. M., Richard Forker, Wilbur F. Reed.

Obituaries—Horace S. Maynard, Will Z. Searle, Fred H. Hosford.

GRAND RECORDER'S REPORT.

The Grand Recorder presented the following report, which was referred to the Finance Committee:

To the Grand Council:

I take pleasure in herewith submitting my report as Grand Recorder for the year 1901.

I have received cash as follows,

Petition for a Council at St. Ignace	\$ 25 00
Rents Monroe property	11 62
Back dues for the year 1900	55 25
Dues for the year 1901	1142 00
Total receipts	\$1233 87

All of which has been paid to the Grand Treasurer and his receipts taken.

One year ago you instructed me to close up my books and cash accounts on the 7th day of January, and to report as delinquent every Council whose returns and dues were not in my hands at that date. In accordance with those instructions I have to report that every Council has made returns and paid dues except Mt. Clemens, No. 8; Adrian, No. 19; Bay City, No. 53; Williams-ton, No. 64, and King Cyrus, No. 67.

Mt. Clemens Council, No. 8, has not made returns nor paid dues for two years. During the year I have written several times to the Recorder and Thrice Illustrious Master on the subject of this delinquency, but have failed to receive any reply from either.

The returns received show the following as the result of the year's work: Exalted, 157; affiliated, 7; restored, 9; total gains, 173. Died, 69; dimitted, 28; suspended, 58; expelled, 1; total losses, 156; net gain thus shown, 19. Twenty-five councils show a gain and nineteen a loss in membership. The largest gain was made by Traverse City Council, No. 61, which gained thirteen. The largest loss is thirty-six in Monroe Council, No. 1.

It will be seen from these figures that the past year has not been as prosperous as former ones for Cryptic Masonry in this state, and yet it is encouraging to note a slight gain when many other jurisdictions have had a loss in membership. It is also a

gratifying fact that among the Grand Councils of the United States, Michigan stands first in number of councils and third in number of members, Massachusetts and Ohio alone surpassing us in membership.

At our last annual assembly Northville Council, No. 30, and Marquette, No. 66, were given ninety days in which to report life, failing in which, the M. I. Grand Master should arrest their charters. Marquette, No. 66, decided to surrender its charter, and on April 8 I received from Companion Chas. D. Blanchard, the last T. I. M., the records and seal. The charter could not be found. On May 28 I received those of Northville, No. 30. Thus closes the records of these councils.

On February 11th, I received a petition with eighteen signers, asking for a dispensation for a new council at St. Ignace, and accompanied with the regular fee of \$25. A little correspondence developed the fact that none of these signers were Royal and Select Masters, but they showed a sincere desire to have a council at that place. I gave them the necessary information as to the proper course of procedure and suggested that I return to them the fee paid. They asked me to keep it and in the fall a sufficient number of them would go to Cheboygan, the nearest council, and get the degrees, after which they would present their petition in proper form. I have heard nothing further from them.

Early in the past year, what has become known as "The Monroe Trust" was closed up, Brother Wentz, who held the title to the property in trust, deeding the same to the Grand Lodge, and when it can be disposed of the proceeds will be divided between the Grand Lodge, Grand Chapter and Grand Council in proportion to the respective amounts they have in the property. In the meantime, all net revenue from the property will be divided in like manner. During the past year I have received as such income the sum of \$116.59, of which the proportion of this Grand Council is \$11.62, which is accounted for in my financial statement above.

Fraternally submitted.

JEFFERSON S. CONOVER,
Grand Recorder.

GRAND TREASURER'S REPORT.

The Grand Treasurer presented his annual report, as follows, and it was referred to the Finance Committee:

DETROIT, Jan. 20, 1902.

CHAS. M. NORTON, Grand Treasurer,

In account with Grand Council R. & S. M. of Michigan.

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Jan. 14,	To amount on hand	\$1,015 28
May 21,	To amount borrowed City National Bank....	75 00

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Jan. 2,	To amount Grand Recorder.....	200 75
Jan. 14,	To amount Grand Recorder.....	841 75
Jan. 20,	To amount Grand Recorder.....	191 37

Total.....	\$2,324.15
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Jan. 15,	By paid 70 pay checks \$5.00 each.....	\$ 350 00
Jan. 15,	" " 6 pay checks \$8.00 each.....	48 00
Jan. 15,	" " warrant 76 Gd. Recdr., postage, etc.	48 67
Jan. 15,	" " " 77 Salary Recorder.....	200 00
Jan. 15,	" " " 78 Grand Tyler.....	10 00
Jan. 24,	" " " 79 Janitor Mas. Temple....	5 00
Feb. 13,	" " " 80 Temple Association....	10 00
Jan. 15,	" " " 81 Lou B. Winsor.....	25 00
Jan. 15,	" " " 82 R. A. Catton, Services	
	G. M.....	50 00
Feb. 15,	" " " 83 Wright, Kay & Co., G.	
	M. Jewel.....	50 00
Feb. 24,	" " " 84 Wm. T. Lowry, Treas.	
	Bond.....	7 50
Feb. 27,	" " " 101 A. D. Woodward, Mas.	
	Home Board.....	6 90
Feb. 25,	" " " 101 Chas. A. Conover, p't'g	
	proc. of 1901	162 70
May 13,	" " " 103 Richmond & Backus, file	
	boxes	14 00

GRAND COUNCIL OF

May	21,	By paid warrant	104 P. G. M. Stevenson, sal.	50 00
Oct.	8,	" " " "	105 Hugh McCurdy, funeral	
			P. G. M. Stevenson	4 50
Oct.	8,	" " " "	106 Jas. McGregor, funeral,	
			P. G. M. Stevenson	8 88
Oct.	11,	" " " "	108 Byron C. Hill, funeral,	
			P. G. M. Stevenson	7 98
Oct.	22,	" " " "	110 E. M. Newell, funeral,	
			P. G. M. Stevenson	6 02
Dec.	3,	" " " "	111 E. W. Durkee, Mas.	
			Home Board.....	4 50
1902				
Jan.	6,	" " " "	112 A. D. Woodward, Mas.	
			Home Board.....	7 90
Jan.	2,	" " " "	Paid City Nat'l Bank note	
			and interest.....	78 25
			Stamps and exchange.....	1 70
June	20,	" " " "	No. 109	14 50
June	20,	" " " "	No. 113.....	56 70
Total.....				\$1,228 74
Balance on hand.....				\$1,095 41

AMENDMENT TO CONSTITUTION PROPOSED.

The Grand Recorder submitted the following proposed amendment to the constitution of the Grand Council, and asked its reference to the Jurisprudence Committee, which was ordered:

Amend Section 8 of the Constitution, by adding thereto, the following:

Provided; That where the distance to the nearest council exceeds twenty-five miles, the Most Illustrious Grand Master shall have power to grant a dispensation for a new council without the recommendation of said nearest council, and he shall have power, in such cases, in person or by proxy, to communicate the council degrees to a sufficient number of Royal Arch Masons to make the constitutional number for forming a new council, each of whom so receiving the degrees shall pay a fee of five dollars to the Grand Council.

Also to Amend Section VII of the By-Laws by adding thereto the following:

Except as provided in Section 8 of the Constitution of this Grand Council.

SPECIAL ORDER NAMED.

On motion of Companion L. E. Wood, the election of officers was made the special order for 10 o'clock tomorrow morning.

REPORT ON DIVISION AND REFERENCE.

Companion Charles E. Gerhardt, chairman of the special committee on the division and reference of the Grand Master's address, presented the following report of that committee, and the same was accepted and adopted;

To the Most Illustrious Grand Master and Companions of the Grand Council of Michigan:

Your committee on division and reference, to whom was referred the Most Illustrious Grand Master's address, respectfully submit the following report:

First—We recommend that so much of the address as refers to the death of our Illustrious Companions be referred to the Committee on Obituaries.

Second—That so much as refers to the taking up of old and granting new charters and dispensations, be referred to the Committee on Charters and Dispensations.

Third—We especially commend the able manner in which our Most Illustrious Grand Master has, in spite of his misfortune, conducted the affairs of the Grand Council; and we recommend that the balance of his address be accepted and adopted.

CHAS. E. GERHARDT,
H. F. SANDS,
DORR DARLING.

REPORT ON OBITUARIES.

Companion Horace S. Maynard, chairman of the Committee on Obituaries, presented the following report of that committee, which was accepted and adopted:

To the Most Illustrious Grand Master, Officers and Companions of the Grand Council of R. & S. M. of the State of Michigan:

Your committee to which was referred that portion of the annual address of the Grand Master relating to our deceased companions, begs leave to report as follows:

We most heartily commend that part of the Grand Master's address that was committed to our consideration, and join with him in lamenting the decease of these Illustrious Companions. As he has so feelingly made mention in detail of the individual history of each, we beg leave to adopt the same as a part of this report without repetition.

We disciples of Cryptic Rite Masonry meet once in each year to commune together upon topics connected with our order, to gain knowledge, and strength, and help, and understanding, the better to enable us to illustrate, teach, live and inculcate the splendid system of philosophy and symbolic truth embraced in our beloved order.

No companion, who has ever been permitted to partake of the good things experienced at these meetings, can help reflecting upon the uplift it gives to his soul, to engage in these ceremonies with his illustrious companions from about the state.

Our hearts are filled with the pure pleasure and joy of the reunion; yet it is meet and proper that we set apart a portion of our time to commune together upon the virtues and exalted characters of our noble "dead".

Our brothers were with us but yesterday. Our hands clasped theirs, but a moment since, in the warm grasp of brotherly love and esteem. From their eyes flashed to ours the divine light of loving companionship. Their living presence thrilled our living beings. We received strength from their strength, courage from their courage, inspiration from their inspiring presence.

But, today, these loved companions are not with us, in the body. The fair tabernacle of their earthly house has been laid in the silent tomb, and we have left to us only the tender memories of their undying virtues.

The veil that divides this life from the misty beyond, has been raised for them and they have passed within, to the Sanctum Sanctorum or Holy of Holies, face to face with the Great Jehovah, and as they have illustrated, in their lives, the exalted virtues of our profession, so shall be their reward.

We mourn our loss but not with despair.

“When we think how with feet unshrinking,
They came to Jordan’s tide,
And taking the hand of the Savior,
Went up on the heavenly side.”

It is appropriate, nay it is most profitable to us, that we hold this “lodge of sorrow”, as it were, and allow our thoughts to dwell upon the solemnity of the change that has come to those whose voices so recently thrilled our hearts with pleasure, now forever hushed on earth.

That they had human faults is not denied, for they belonged to blessed humanity, but we remember not any fault in this hour. Only the loving virtues of the illustrious companions are now before our eyes, and these virtues shine with transcendent beauty, drawing our chastened thoughts to higher planes.

The companion who has not known grief, who has not had the flood-gates of his soul whelmed with the tides of sorrow, has not had the experience that, of all others, mellows, humanizes, softens and refines the character, adorning it with the sweet virtue of “sympathy” for a brother’s grief, a brother’s sorrow, a brother’s woe.

We have all felt the pang of sorrow for some deceased companion, and out of our sorrow we extend our condolences to our bereaved companions of this and our sister jurisdictions.

Wheresoever a companion has put off this mortality and been clothed in the habiliments of immortality, to his surviving companions and friends, “wheresoever dispersed throughout the globe,” we extend our warmest sympathies, engendered in this solemn hour of tender reflection.

If, as has been said,

“To live in hearts we leave behind,
Is not to to die,”

then these are not dead, but live, enshrined in our hearts of love, never to be thrust out, until our hearts, in turn, are stiffened by the icy hand of death.

“How can he be dead,
Who lives immortal in the hearts of men?”

The bodies of our deceased companions have been consigned

to the silent tomb, their souls to God who gave them, to be known no more on earth forever, but the memories of their good deeds survive, to cluster around our hearts to be sweetly cherished so long as life shall last.

"Yes, like the fragrance that wanders in freshness,
When the flowers that it came from are closed up and gone."

Let us derive from this contemplation of the lives of our departed brothers, some ennobling thoughts that shall make us more worthy to be called "companion" by any pure soul on earth, that we too may approach the hour of our dissolution with the consolation planted in our souls that we are trusted, respected, esteemed and beloved by our companions.

To borrow from Thanatopsis, let us,

"So live, that, when our summons comes to join
The innumerable caravan, that moves
To that mysterious realm, where each shall take
His chamber in the silent halls of death,
We go not, like the quarry slave at night,
Scourged to his dungeon; but sustained and soothed
By an unfaltering trust, approach our grave,
Like one that wraps the drapery of his couch
About him, and lies down to pleasant dreams.

HORACE S. MAYNARD,

WILL Z. SEARLE,

FRED H. HOSFORD,

Committee on Obituaries.

A TELEGRAM.

The Grand Recorder read a telegram from Most Illustrious Companion Hugh McCurdy, absent in California for his health, as follows:

LOS ANGELES, CAL., January 20, 1902.

Jefferson S. Conover, Grand Recorder, Detroit, Mich.:

Greetings to Grand Council. Regret my inability to meet with you. May your session be harmonious and wisdom guide you in your deliberations.

HUGH MCCURDY.

The Grand Recorder was instructed to telegraph the

greetings of the Grand Council to Companion McCurdy, with regrets that his health required a change of climate for the winter, which he did as follows:

DETROIT, MICH., January 20, 1902.

Hon. Hugh McCurdy, Los Angeles, Cal.:

Grand Council sends greeting and prays for your complete restoration to health. We miss your genial presence and wise counsel. The God of our fathers bless and keep you.

JEFFERSON S. CONOVER,
Grand Recorder.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT.

Attention being called to the inconsistency of section 12, of the constitution, regarding amendments, motion was made that all except the last proviso be stricken out, which was unanimously adopted and the section, as thus amended, will read as follows:

This Grand Body, by a vote of two-thirds of its members present, may amend this constitution at any annual assembly without previous notice.

RESOLUTION AS TO PER DIEM.

The Grand Recorder having called attention to the peculiar phraseology of the resolution adopted in 1896 for payment of representatives, on motion of Companion Frank N. Clark, the subject was referred to the Jurisprudence Committee to be incorporated in an amendment to the constitution.

CORRESPONDENCE REPORTS.

Companion Horace S. Maynard talked for a few minutes upon the subject of correspondence reports as printed with the proceedings of the Grand Council and then moved that such reports be abolished after this year. Being seconded, the matter was discussed by several, when on motion of Companion Maynard the whole subject was referred to a special committee of

five for consideration, and report tomorrow morning. The Most Illustrious Grand Master named Companions Horace S. Maynard, Frank N. Clark, John W. Finch, Robert H. Hunt and Edward D. Clarke as such committee.

CALLED OFF.

The Grand Council was then called from labor to refreshment until nine o'clock, city time, tomorrow morning.

SECOND DAY.

DETROIT, January 21, 1902.

The Grand Council resumed labor at 9:00 A. M., officers and members present as on last evening.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE.

Companion Horace S. Maynard, chairman of the special committee on the subject of correspondence reports, presented majority and minority reports of that committee, as follows.

Majority report:

To the Most Illustrious Grand Master, Officers and Companions of the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of Michigan:

Your committee to which was referred the subject of Foreign Correspondence has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report as follows:

Your committee has heard numerous members of this Grand Council assert that the usual reports on Foreign Correspondence have been read by them with great pleasure and profit, and that it was as great aid to them in acquainting their minds with the principles of Cryptic Masonry, and helped them to keep abreast with the trend of the thought and legislation of sister jurisdictions, and make them broader Masons, and that they would consider it a great loss to themselves and their masonic privileges to have this work abolished.

In deference to those who claim to derive these benefits, we recommend that the reports on Foreign Correspondence be continued and printed in the proceedings.

Second. The Grand Council having, at its last session, voted that these reports be furnished by the Grand Representatives for the State Grand Councils they represent, respectively, and it appearing that many of those representatives have no copy of the proceedings from the state they represent, and believing that the reports furnished by so large a committee would be cumbersome and without unity of plan, and knowing the ability of our Grand Recorder to wield his pen with peculiar grace and refreshing clearness, we recommend that the Grand Recorder be authorized and directed to write these reports and that the several Grand Representatives be discharged from further duties in this direction.

This recommendation is made because your committee believes that these reports will be of more uniformity and of greater benefit to the craft if written by one companion who has all the data at hand and who knows so well what will be of interest and benefit to the craft.

Third. Your committee further reports that the estimated cost of printing this report is from seventy-five to eighty dollars per year.

FRANK N. CLARK,
EDWARD D. CLARKE,
J. W. FINCH,
ROBERT H. HUNT.

Majority of Committee.

Minority report:

To the M. I. Grand Master, Officers and Companions of the Grand Council of R. & S. M. of the State of Michigan:

I beg to submit a minority report on the subject of Foreign Correspondence.

Believing that the benefits received are not proportionate to the time, trouble and expense incurred in preparing and printing these reports, I recommend that the reports on foreign correspondence be discontinued.

HORACE S. MAYNARD,
Minority of Committee.

Both reports were accepted, when, on motion, the majority report was adopted by the Grand Council.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Companion James H. Cummins, chairman of the standing Committee on Finance, presented the following report of that committee, which was adopted:

DETROIT, MICH., January 21, 1902.

To the Grand Council R. & S. M. of Michigan:

COMPANIONS:

Your Finance Committee begs leave to submit the following report for your consideration.

We have examined the reports of your Grand Recorder and Grand Treasurer and find them correct.

The Grand Treasurer has in his hands January 20, 1902, \$1095.41, for which he has exhibited to your committee cash and drafts covering said amount.

At the last convocation of the Grand Council the following recommendation of your Finance Committee was unanimously adopted:

"That in accordance with Section eight of the Grand Constitution, and to facilitate the work of the Grand Recorder in closing the year's business, that on the seventh day of January in each year, the Grand Recorder be and is hereby directed to close his books and cash accounts and report to this Grand Council, as delinquent, every council whose returns and dues are not in his hands by that date."

Under said order of this Grand Council we find the following councils delinquent:

Williamston, No. 64, received by Grand Recorder Jan. 13, 1902.

Bay City, No. 53, received by Grand Recorder Jan. 14, 1902.

Adrian, No. 18, received by Grand Recorder Jan. 16, 1902.

Mt. Clemens, No. 8, received by Grand Recorder Jan. 20, 1902.

King Cyrus, No. 67, no report.

Section eight of the Grand Constitution reads, in part, as follows:

"The dues for degrees and membership shall accompany the returns to the Grand Council, and no council shall have a vote until such dues are paid."

Your committee would respectfully recommend that the Grand Recorder be paid a salary of two hundred dollars for his services for the year ending January 20, 1902.

That James F. McGregor, Grand Sentinel, be paid the sum of ten dollars for his services during this session; the janitor of this building the sum of five dollars for his services during this assembly; and that the sum of ten dollars be allowed the Masonic Association for the use of this room during this assembly.

Your committee takes great pleasure in recommending that the Grand Recorder be requested to procure and present to Most Illustrious Grand Master Ithamer T. Smith, as a slight testimonial of our fraternal regard and esteem, a jewel, the same as given Past Most Illustrious Grand Masters of this Grand Jurisdiction, and that the sum of fifty dollars be paid him as a slight compensation for his distinguished services during the past year in the discharge of his official duties as Most Illustrious Grand Master.

JAS. H. CUMMINS,
E. M. NEWELL,
R. A. COTTRELL,
Finance Committee.

REPORT OF JURISPRUDENCE COMMITTEE.

Companion Thomas G. Greene, chairman of the Jurisprudence Committee, presented the following reports from that committee:

To the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of Michigan:

"Your Committee on Jurisprudence, to whom was referred the proposed amendment to Article 1, Section 8, of the constitution of the Grand Council, which proposed amendment reads as follows:

"*Provided;* That where the distance to the nearest council exceeds twenty-five miles, the Most Illustrious Grand Master shall have power to grant a dispensation for a new council without the recommendation of said nearest council, and he shall have power in such case, in person or by proxy, to communicate the council degrees to a sufficient number of Royal Arch Masons to make the constitutional number for forming a new council,

each of whom shall pay a fee of five dollars to the Grand Council."

In the opinion of your committee, if this amendment should be adopted it would place unlimited power to make Royal and Select Masters at sight in the hands of the Most Illustrious Grand Master. No certificate as to the moral character and masonic ability of a petitioner would be required, but if he can produce five dollars, the Most Illustrious Grand Master may, in his discretion, confer the degrees upon him notwithstanding the protest of the nearest council. Article 1, Section 9 of the constitution provides: "No charter shall be granted for establishing a council of Royal, Select and Super Excellent Masters for a less sum than \$25." No greater sum than \$25 has ever been charged by this Grand Council for a charter. If this proposed amendment shall be adopted the Grand Council will receive not less than \$45 in each case, for the degrees, in addition to the fee for a charter.

Sec. 3, Art. 2 provides: "All applications for the degrees of Royal, Select and Super Excellent Masters in any subordinate council under this jurisdiction, shall be by petition in writing to the nearest council, from a member of a Royal Arch Chapter, and shall lie over one lunar month after the same shall have been received and referred to a committee for inquiry, unless by a unanimous vote of the companions present, in which case the applications may be acted upon *instanter*, etc."

By Law No. 7 of the Grand Council provides: "Hereafter no charter or dispensation for new councils will be granted unless the limits of the petitioners accompany the petition for dispensation."

In view of the foregoing and of other considerations which might be urged, your committee are of the opinion that any change in the organic law of this Grand Council so radical as that contemplated in the proposed amendment would be disastrous to the best interests of Cryptic Masonry in this jurisdiction and therefore your committee respectfully recommend that it be rejected.

THOS. G. GREENE,
CHAS. N. LEGG,
J. D. MAPES,

Committee.

On motion, this report of the committee was adopted.

To the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of Michigan:

Your Committee on Jurisprudence, to whom was referred the subject matter of compensation to delegates to this Grand Council respectfully recommend that the last standing resolution found on page 8 of the Constitution and By-Laws, be rescinded and the following adopted in lieu thereof:

Resolved, That each officer of this Grand Council, each Past Most Illustrious Grand Master, each member of Standing Committees and one representative of each subordinate council shall be entitled to the sum of three dollars for attendance at an annual assembly of the Grand Council;

Provided, That each and every officer, Past Most Illustrious Grand Master, member of Standing Committee and representative of subordinate council who shall be present and answer to roll call at every session of an annual assembly of the Grand Council shall be entitled to the sum of five dollars.

THOS. G. GREENE,
CHAS. N. LEGG,
J. D. MAPES,

Committee.

This report was accepted and adopted.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The hour set for the election of officers having arrived, the Most Illustrious Grand Master directed that order of business to be proceeded with. The following companions were elected to the respective offices for the ensuing year:

BYRON C. HILL, Jackson, M. Ill. Grand Master.
JOHN H. KINGSLEY, Manchester, Deputy Grand Master.
DALLAS D. ALTON, Muskegon, Grand Prin. Cond. of Work.
CHAS. M. NORTON, P. G. M., Lansing, Grand Treasurer.
JEFFERSON S. CONOVER, Coldwater, Grand Recorder.
REV. FRANCIS A. BLADES, Detroit, Grand Chaplain.
LEWIS CASS GOODRICH, Ann Arbor, Grand Lecturer.
PAUL A. COWGILL, Michigan City, Ind., Gd. Capt. of Guard.
BAYARD A. CHURCH, St. Louis, Grand Cond. of Council.

LOU B. WINSOR, Reed City, Grand Steward.

JAMES F. MCGREGOR, Detroit, Grand Sentinel.

PRESENTATION OF JEWEL.

Companion Horace S. Maynard eloquently addressed Most Illustrious Grand Master Ithamer T. Smith and presented to him the Past Most Illustrious Grand Master's jewel provided for in the report of the Finance Committee, in the following words:

M. I. Grand Master and Companions:

I have just this moment been asked to perform a very pleasant task, and one that I undertake without any preparation or opportunity to collect my thoughts or to arrange my ideas, but with a very great gratification and a lively appreciation of the honor conferred on me by the Grand Recorder in placing in my hands this beautiful jewel to present to him upon whom it is to be so worthily bestowed.

You all know that I am not usually a timid man when it is necessary for me to address this council, but at this moment I find myself very deeply embarrassed by a fear that I shall not succeed in thoroughly expressing the tender love, respect and esteem that so fills the hearts of these Companions for their Grand Master, and with which they desire to freight this beautiful gift to him.

We read that in ancient times renowned warriors went forth to battle, and if success attended their banners, they returned in triumph, laden with the spoils of war, with captives bound to their chariot wheels, with palms of victory waving them welcome, and the voices of thousands celebrating the occasion and chanting their praises, while guerdons of honor and symbols of glory were bestowed upon these victorious warriors, and when crowned with these glorious tokens, these glittering jewels were prized more highly than life itself because of the mighty things which they represented, because they spoke in the thunderous tones of symbolism that the wearer had been found worthy, faithful, valiant, true and triumphant, and that his rulers or subjects had recognized his services by bestowing upon him these jewels, these emblems of honor.

Our Grand Masters, when elected to this high and honorable

station, go forth upon their duties and return to us at the close of their term of office, bringing to us specimens of their work, bringing garlands of victory; not with captives and slaves bound in suffering and agony to their chariot wheels, not burdened with the fact that their success and victory has carried woe, grief, despair or ruin to any other soul on earth, but rather freighted with the blessings of peace, and greeted by the loving welcome and fraternal regard of beloved companions, and it is our custom to bestow upon them a beautiful Past Master's jewel as a token of our esteem and affection for them and as a badge of honor which they may wear while here on earth to show that they have occupied what we feel is so exalted a station.

And I have no doubt that those who are so fortunate and honored as to receive these jewels do so with their hearts filled with emotion, and that they wear them with very pardonable pride, and esteem them beyond any earthly diadem.

There is a phase of mother love that appeals to us all in its purity, its sweetness, its intensity, and its utter unselfishness. It is that instinct that moves a loving mother to more tender solicitude for an afflicted member of her household. If she have a family of healthy children, each perfectly possessed of the several senses, whom she embraces with a wealth of impartial mother love, and one of them is stricken with an affliction and loses any of its senses, or even becomes a cripple and an object of commiseration to others, this affliction only causes the mother to enfold the afflicted one with deeper sympathy to her heart, to hold it to her bosom in an agony of love.

As we all admire this characteristic in beloved woman, so do all men with generous hearts respond to this Christ-like attribute.

A few years ago this Grand Council did itself the credit to elect Ithamer T. Smith to the lowest office in the line and start him for that goal that he had so honorable an ambition to attain unto. He was then possessed of all the senses and the peer of us all. When he had passed a part of the stations towards this high office he was afflicted by losing his hearing. When he met in our annual assemblies and the business of the session was being transacted, he could sit and look at his companions engaged in friendly greetings and see the play of features, but all was as the silent tomb to him so far as hearing what was passing was concerned.

With a delicacy and conscientious modesty that only endeared him to us the more, he came to us and telling us that owing to his infirmity he could not fulfill the duties of the office to which he was elected, and offering freely to relieve us of any embarrassment, begged to be permitted to resign and willingly and willingly relinquished his place in the line to some other companion.

Then was exhibited that tender, sweet and beautiful inspiration that so adorns the human soul, strongest in the mother love, to stand by our afflicted, and with a tenderness never before known for this dear companion, the companions of this Grand Council kept Ithamer T. Smith in his place in line and to-day are happy to congratulate him on the fact that he has been the Grand Master of this Grand Body, and that his administration has been a credit to him and of great profit to the craft. He has no apologies to make. He has fought the fight and gained the victory.

And now, in behalf of the companions who have elevated you to this exalted office with so much pleasure, affectionate regard and fraternal love, as a slight token of their sincere friendship and esteem, I present you with this beautiful Past Master's jewel, and trust that you will ever wear it with the pleasure that your companions feel in presenting it to you.

Most Illustrious Companion Smith, in accepting it, replied, substantially, as follows:

COMPANIONS:

I submit to this ceremony and have listened with pleasure to the eloquent remarks of our Illustrious Companion Maynard addressed to me upon this occasion, and now, my companions, permit me to return my thanks for this beautiful jewel, an emblem of that high office from which I have just retired. I accept it with great satisfaction as a token of that respect the officers and members of this Grand Council have always entertained for me, and I will wear it with pleasure and pride, as a testimony of your approval of my conduct while filling the several offices to which your unanimous sufferages have elected me, and I further assure you that my associations with this Grand Body will constitute some of the happiest reflections of my life.

REPORT ON CHARTERS AND DISPENSATIONS.

Companion Frank N. Clark, chairman of the Committee on Charters and Dispensations, made a verbal report that no business had been presented to his committee.

REPORT ON S. E. DEGREE.

Grand Lecturer Goodrich presented the following report from the special committee appointed one year ago to consider and report upon the advisability of making the Super Excellent the working degree of the councils:

To the Most Illustrious Grand Master and Companions of the Grand Council of Michigan:

Your committee to whom the resolution of Past Most Illustrious Grand Master F. N. Clark was referred, to report upon a plan and the advisability of making the super excellent degree the working degree of this jurisdiction, beg leave to report that after due deliberation we recommend that the Select Master's degree remain the working degree as in the past, and that the resolution heretofore adopted, making it obligatory that the councils confer the super excellent degree upon every companion before he can become a member of a council, be rescinded.

I. T. SMITH,
B. C. HILL,
L. C. GOODRICH,

Committee.

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS.

By request of Most Illustrious Grand Master Smith, Past Most Illustrious Grand Master Frank N. Clark proceeded to install the Grand Officers, Illustrious Companion Horace S. Maynard assisting as Grand Marshal.

Most Illustrious Companion Byron C. Hill, after being installed as Grand Master, announced the following appointments for the ensuing year:

M. I. Grand Master.



Attest:

JEFFERSON S. CONOVER,
Grand Recorder.

Appendix

LOCATION OF COUNCILS

Alphabetically Arranged.

Location	County	Name and Number
Adrian	Lenawee	Adrian, 19
Albion	Calhoun	Albion, 57
Alpena	Alpena	Sa-gon-ah-ka-to, 58
Battle Creek	Calhoun	Zabud, 9
Bay City	Bay	Bay City, 53
Big Rapids	Mecosta	King Solomon, 25
Coldwater	Branch	Mt. Moriah, 6
Clinton	Lenawee	Clinton, 26
Charlotte	Eaton	Charlotte, 36
Corunna	Shiawassee	Corunna, 38
Cheboygan	Cheboygan	Inverness, 60
Crystal Falls	Iron	King Cyrus, 67
Cadillac	Wexford	Cadillac, 70
Detroit	Wayne	Monroe, 1
Dundee	Monroe	River Raisin, 4
Flint	Genesee	Flint, 56
Grand Rapids	Kent	Tyre, 10
Grand Haven	Ottawa	Grand Haven, 51
Grand Ledge	Eaton	Grand Ledge, 62
Hillsdale	Hillsdale	Mt. Ararat, 15
Hudson	Lenawee	Putnam, 16
Holly	Oakland	Holly, 39
Hastings	Barry	Giblum, 49
Ionia	Ionia	Ionia, 12
Ithaca	Gratiot	Ithaca, 33

Location	County	Name and Number
Jonesville.....	Hillsdale.....	Jonesville, 5
Jackson.....	Jackson.....	Jackson, 32
Kalamazoo.....	Kalamazoo.....	Kalamazoo, 63
Lansing.....	Ingham.....	Lansing, 29
Lapeer.....	Lapeer.....	Lapeer, 42
Lawrence.....	Van Buren.....	Lawrence, 43
Ludington.....	Mason.....	Ludington, 48
Leslie.....	Ingham.....	Leslie, 50
Mt. Clemens.....	Macomb.....	Mt. Clemens, 8
Manchester.....	Washtenaw....	Adoniram, 24
Manistee.....	Manistee.....	Manistee, 46
Muskegon.....	Muskegon.....	Muskegon, 54
Marine City.....	St. Clair.....	Marine City, 59
Manistique.....	Schoolcraft....	Hiawatha, 65
Niles.....	Berrien.....	Niles, 19
Pontiac.....	Oakland.....	Pontiac, 3
Portland.....	Ionia.....	Portland, 23
Pentwater.....	Oceana.....	Oceana, 27
Petoskey.....	Emmet.....	Petoskey, 52
Reed City.....	Osceola.....	Reed City, 55
Sturgis.....	St. Joseph.....	Sturgis, 13
Saginaw.....	Saginaw.....	Saginaw, 20
St. Johns.....	Clinton.....	St. Johns, 21
St. Joseph.....	Berrien.....	St. Joseph, 44
South Haven.....	Van Buren.....	South Haven, 45
St. Louis.....	Gratiot.....	St. Louis, 68
Sault Ste Marie ..	Chippewa.....	Sault Ste Marie, 69
Three Rivers.....	St. Joseph.....	Nebuzaradan, 37
Traverse City.....	Grand Traverse	Traverse City, 61
Union City.....	Branch.....	Union City, 35
Williamston.....	Ingham.....	Williamston, 64
Ypsilanti.....	Washtenaw....	Union, 11

COUNCILS BY COUNTIES.

No.	Name.	Location.
ALPENA.		
58—	Sah-gon-ah-ka-to ..	Alpena
BRANCH.		
6—	Mt. Moriah	Coldwater
35—	Union City.....	Union City
BARRY.		
49—	Giblum.....	Hastings
BAY.		
53—	Bay City.....	Bay City
BERRIEN.		
19—	Niles.....	Niles
44—	St. Joseph.	St. Joseph
CALHOUN.		
9—	Zabud.....	Battle Creek
57—	Albion	Albion
CHEBOYGAN.		
60—	Inverness.....	Cheboygan
CHIPPEWA.		
69—	SaultSteMarie. S. SteMarie	
CLINTON.		
21—	St. Johns.....	St. Johns
EATON.		
36—	Charlotte.....	Charlotte
62—	Grand Ledge. Grand Ledge	
EMMET.		
52—	Petoskey	Petoskey
GENESEE.		
26—	Flint.....	Flint
GRATIOT.		
33—	Ithaca.....	Ithaca
68—	St. Louis.....	St. Louis
GRAND TRAVERSE.		
61—	Traverse City ..	Trav. City
HILLSDALE.		
5—	Jonesville.....	Jonesville
15—	Mt. Ararat.....	Hillsdale
INGHAM.		
29—	Lansing.....	Lansing
50—	Leslie.....	Leslie
64—	Williamston. Williamston	
IONIA.		
12—	Ionia.....	Ionia
23—	Portland.....	Portland
IRON.		
67—	King Cyrus..	Crystal Falls
JACKSON.		
32—	Jackson.....	Jackson
KENT.		
10—	Tyre.....	Grand Rapids

No.	Name.	Location.
63—	Kalamazoo	Kalamazoo
LAPEER.		
42—	Lapeer	Lapeer
LENAWEE.		
26—	Putnam.....	Hudson
18—	Adrian.....	Adrian
26—	Clinton.....	Clinton
MACOMB.		
8—	Mt. Clemens..	Mt. Clemens
MANISTEE.		
46—	Manistee.....	Manistee
MASON.		
48—	Ludington.....	Ludington
MECOSTA.		
25—	King Solomon. Big Rapids	
MONROE.		
4—	River Raisin	Dundee
MUSKEGON.		
54—	Muskegon.....	Muskegon
OAKLAND.		
3—	Pontiac.....	Pontiac
39—	Holly.....	Holly
OCEANA.		
27—	Oceana.....	Pentwater
OSCEOLA.		
55—	Reed City.....	Reed City
OTTAWA.		
51—	Grand Haven...Gd. Haven	
SCHOOLCRAFT.		
65—	Hiawatha.....	Manistique
ST. JOSEPH.		
13—	Sturgis.....	Sturgis
37—	Nebuzaradan. Three Rivers	
ST. CLAIR.		
59—	Marine City...Marine City	
SAGINAW.		
20—	Saginaw.....	Saginaw
SHIAWASSEE.		
38—	Corunna.....	Corunna
VAN BUREN.		
43—	Lawrence.....	Lawrence
45—	South Haven...So. Haven	
WAYNE.		
1—	Monroe.....	Detroit
WASHTENAW.		
11—	Union.....	Ypsilanti
24—	Adoniram.....	Manchester
WEXFORD.		
70—	Cadillac.....	Cadillac

Number.	Name.	Location.	Members 1900.	Exalted.	Admitted.	Restored.	Died.	Limited.	Suspended.	Expelled.	Emeritus	Members 1901.	Dues Paid.	Regular Assembly.
1	Monroe	Detroit	602	9	..	..	9	6	30	..	7	566	146 25	Monday after ☉
2	St. Clair	Defunct	84	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	83	29 00	First Monday
3	Pontiac	Pontiac	52	10	..	1	2	..	..	..	..	52	12 00	Wed on or bef ☉
4	River Raisin	Dundee	35	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	34	9 50	Sec Thurs aft ☉
5	Jonesville	Jonesville	75	3	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	64	16 50	Third Monday
6	Mt. Moriah	Coldwater	65	3	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	64	16 50	Third Monday
7	Three Rivers	Defunct .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
8	Mt. Clemens	Mt. Clemens	41	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	41	16 00	Second Thursday
9	Zabud	Battle Creek	85	1	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	83	20 00	First Wednesday
10	Tyre	Grand Rapids	213	1	..	..	4	3	2	..	..	204	50 75	First Wednesday
11	Union	Ypsilanti	213	1	..	..	5	1	4	..	..	204	50 75	Third Wednesday
12	Ionia	Ionia	60	15	..	..	1	1	..	..	1	84	32 00	Third Thursday
13	Sturgis	Sturgis	31	3	..	..	1	1	..	..	1	32	9 75	Tuesday aft ☉
14	Hiram	Defunct .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
15	Mt. Ararat	Hillsdale	60	..	..	..	2	2	..	..	..	65	14 75	Second Monday
16	Putnam	Hudson	38	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	35	7 50	Friday on or aft ☉
17	Genesee	Defunct .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
18	Adrian	Adrian	79	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	78	17 25	Thursday
19	Niles	Niles	79	1	..	..	2	1	2	..	..	75	18 00	Thursday aft ☉
20	Saginaw	Saginaw	180	..	..	2	4	4	2	..	..	178	43 00	First Monday
21	St. Johns	St. Johns	123	8	..	..	4	4	2	..	..	127	36 25	Wed bef lodge
22	Mosaic	Defunct .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
23	Portland	Portland	22	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	2	21	4 25	Wed on or bef ☉
24	Adoniram	Manchester	93	1	..	..	1	..	3	..	..	90	22 75	Tuesday aft ☉
25	King Solomon	Big Rapids	50	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	50	12 00	First Tuesday
26	Clinton	Clinton	51	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	50	10 25	Thurs on or bef ☉
27	Oceana	Pentwater	39	4	..	..	1	3	1	1	..	38	12 00	Second Monday
28	Dowagiac	Defunct .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
29	Lansing	Lansing	91	2	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	89	22 75	First Thursday
30	Northville	Defunct .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
31	Reading	Defunct .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
32	Jackson	Jackson	212	8	1	3	2	..	2	..	..	220	60 00	Second Friday
33	Ithaca	Ithaca	45	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	43	9 75	Tuesday aft ☉
34	Blanchard	Defunct .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
35	Union City	Union City	41	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	4	38	8 25	Wed on or bef ☉
36	Charlotte	Charlotte	77	3	..	1	2	..	..	..	..	76	21 00	First Thursday
37	Nebuzaradan	Three Rivers	62	..	..	..	1	1	1	..	2	59	14 00	Monday bef ☉
38	Corunna	Corunna	46	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	48	12 25	Third Thursday
39	Holly	Holly	52	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	51	11 75	Third Wednesday
40	Bronson	Defunct .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
41	Centreville	Defunct .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
42	Lapeer	Lapeer	76	7	..	..	1	1	2	..	13	80	21 75	First Friday
43	Lawrence	Lawrence	110	6	..	2	1	1	1	..	6	115	31 50	Thursday aft ☉
44	St. Joseph	St. Joseph	75	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	76	18 75	Monday aft ☉
45	South Haven	South Haven	58	3	..	1	..	1	1	..	2	60	16 50	Friday on or bef ☉
46	Manistee	Manistee	61	5	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	64	19 50	Third Friday
47	Newaygo	Defunct .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
48	Ludington	Ludington	50	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	49	11 75	Second Monday
49	Giblum	Hastings	31	3	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	33	10 00	First Monday
50	Leslie	Leslie	66	1	..	..	1	..	1	..	7	65	15 00	Second Thursday
51	Grand Haven	Grand Haven	27	..	..	..	1	1	1	1	1	26	6 00	First Friday
52	Petoskey	Petoskey	74	10	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	85	28 50	First Monday
53	Bay City	Bay City	219	5	..	..	3	1	2	..	..	218	58 00	Second Monday
54	Muskegon	Muskegon	94	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	98	28 00	Second Friday
55	Reed City	Reed City	46	1	..	..	1	..	..	1	1	46	11 75	Third Friday
56	Flint	Flint	105	3	1	..	2	..	..	..	1	107	28 50	First Monday
57	Albion	Albion	91	1	..	..	2	..	..	..	1	90	23 00	Fourth Friday
58	Sahgonahkato	Alpena	80	4	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	85	18 75	First Thursday
59	Marine City	Marine City	51	4	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	53	16 00	First Wednesday
60	Inverness	Cheboygan	47	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	52	17 25	Wed on or aft ☉
61	Traverse City	Traverse City	36	14	1	1	1	1	2	..	..	49	21 00	First Friday
62	Grand Ledge	Grand Ledge	22	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	25	8 00	Wednesday aft ☉
63	Kalamazoo	Kalamazoo	60	6	1	..	1	..	..	..	1	86	20 50	Thurs on or aft ☉
64	Williamston	Williamston	34	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	34	8 25	First Monday
65	Hiawatha	Manistiquie	43	11	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	54	21 50	Third Friday
66	Marquette	Defunct .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
67	King Cyrus	Crystal Falls	12	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	12	2 75	First Tuesday
68	St. Louis	St. Louis	62	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	63	16 00	Fourth Wednesday
69	Sault St. Marie	Sault Ste Marie	42	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	42	10 25	First Friday
70	Cadillac	Cadillac	19	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	19	5 25	Third Wednesday

RECAPITULATION.

Number of Councils	57
" making returns	57
Exalted in the year	181
Affiliated	7
Restored	9
Total gains	<u>197</u>
Died	73
Dimitted	29
Suspended	60
Expelled	1
Total loss in the year	<u>163</u>
Net gain	34
No. Emeritus Members reported	138
Total membership of Councils Dec. 27, 1901	4637

GRAND COUNCIL OF MASTERS AND RECORDERS.

No.	Name.	Name and Address of Thrice Illustrious Master.	Name and Address of Recorder.
1	Monroe	Isaac M. Bates, Detroit	Elmer H. Knapp, Detroit
2	St. Clair	Council defunct	
3	Pontiac	Geo. W. Dickinson, Pontiac	J. A. Harris, Pontiac
4	River Raisin	Gerry G. Covell, Dundee	Herbert G. Drew, Dundee
5	Jonesville	Dorr Darling, Jonesville	Wm. M. Ransom, Jonesville
6	Mt. Moriah	Chas. N. Legg, Coldwater	George M. Dumond, Coldwater
7	Three Rivers	Council defunct	
8	Mt. Clemens	George A. Skinner, Mt. Clemens	Arthur E. Van Eps, Mt. Clemens
9	Zabud	Richard Forker, Battle Creek	E. Mac Neal, Battle Creek
10	Tyre	Fred H. Hosford, Grand Rapids	Harvey F. Wonderly, Gd. Rapids
11	Union	H. G. Prettyman, Ann Arbor	P. W. Carpenter, Ypsilanti
12	Ionia	John Nichol, Ionia	Jas. C. Simons, Ionia
13	Sturgis	Chas. E. Landon, Sturgis	Henry S. Church, Sturgis
14	Hiram	Council defunct	
15	Mt. Ararat	Joseph H. Ellis, Hillsdale	Lemuel S. Ranney, Hillsdale
16	Putnam	Fred W. Spaulding, Hudson	Oren Howes, Hudson
17	Genesee	Council defunct	
18	Adrian	Chas. B. Pennock, Adrian	E. J. Shepherd, Adrian
19	Niles	William T. Dougan, Niles	Chas. M. Montague, Niles
20	Saginaw	Clement Johnson, Saginaw	O. J. Hetherington, Saginaw
21	St. Johns	Fred E. Swain, St. Johns	Wm. Cochrane, St. Johns
22	Mosaic	Council defunct	
23	Portland	Wm. H. White, Portland	Asa Newman, Portland
24	Adoniram	John H. Kingsley, Manchester	Mat D. Blosser, Manchester
25	King Solomon	James W. Morton, Big Rapids	Chas. M. Wiseman, Big Rapids
26	Clinton	David Woodward, Clinton	George Runyan, Clinton
27	Oceana	Peter N. Lageson, Pentwater	C. R. Johnson, Pentwater
28	Dowagiac	Council defunct	
29	Lansing	Jacob W. Ferle, Lansing	John H. Chase, Lansing
30	Northville	Council defunct	
31	Reading	Council defunct	
32	Jackson	Chas. H. Patterson, Jackson	Lawrence J. Brooks, Jackson
33	Ithaca	George Richardson, Ithaca	C. M. Brown, Ithaca
34	Blanchard	Council defunct	
35	Union City	Grove A. Church, Union City	Mortimer Vosburg, Union City
36	Charlotte	Horace S. Maynard, Charlotte	John C. Nichols, Charlotte
37	Nebuzaradan	Ransom Crow, Three Rivers	S. A. Greenwood, Three Rivers
38	Corunna	Arthur W. Green, Corunna	W. J. Parker, Corunna
39	Holly	James McGonegal, Holly	James B. Starker, Holly
40	Bronson	Council defunct	
41	Centreville	Council defunct	
42	Lapeer	James W. Wier, Sr., Lapeer	H. W. Hinman, Lapeer
43	Lawrence	Henry A. Martin, Lawrence	A. H. Draper, Lawrence
44	St. Joseph	J. Douglas McKellar, St. Joseph	John F. Gard, St. Joseph
45	South Haven	George W. Beak, South Haven	J. M. S. Malbone, South Haven
46	Manistee	Samuel J. Chapman, Manistee	John Kinsley, Manistee
47	Newaygo	Council defunct	
48	Ludington	Augus. D. Woodward, Ludington	Frank P. Dunwell, Ludington
49	Giblum	Daniel E. Fuller, Hastings	M. W. Riker, Hastings
50	Leslie	Alonzo J. Blake, Leslie	Albert A. Lombard, Leslie
51	Grand Haven	C. N. Dickinson, Grand Haven	Chas. T. Pagelson, Grand Haven
52	Petoskey	Will Z. Searle, Petoskey	Orla C. Gregory, Petoskey
53	Bay City	W. O. Clift, Bay City	C. L. Fox, Bay City
54	Muskegon	Peter O. Holthe, Muskegon	Wm. McComb, Muskegon
55	Reed City	W. H. Hawkins, Reed City	Thos. R. McSween, Reed City
56	Flint	John McKercher, Flint	Fred J. Ford, Flint
57	Albion	J. Dell Mapes, Albion	William Steel, Albion
58	Sahgonahkato	John N. Kelley, Alpena	Clark J. Crisman, Alpena
59	Marine City	J. H. McDonald, Marine City	E. B. Thatcher, Marine City
60	Inverness	W. C. Thompson, Cheboygan	Jas. C. Wooster, Cheboygan
61	Traverse City	H. W. Cunningham, Trav. City	F. G. Henmann, Traverse City
62	Grand Ledge	J. Vincent Jones, Grand Ledge	Geo. W. Campbell, Grand Ledge
63	Kalamazoo	Myron H. Bell, Kalamazoo	James Woodbridge, Kalamazoo
64	Williamston	Albert J. Rockwell, Williamston	Chas. E. Morrison, Williamston
65	Hiawatha	Wm. C. Bronson, Manistique	Ed. Ashford, Manistique
66	Marquette	Council defunct	
67	King Cyrus	John H. Parks, Crystal Falls	A. Lustfield, Crystal Falls
68	St. Louis	Richard E. Hughes, St. Louis	Bayard A. Church, St. Louis
69	Sault Ste. Marie	C. J. Thoenen, Sault Ste. Marie	E. E. Ferguson, Sault Ste. Marie
70	Cadillac	Samuel H. Merritt, Cadillac	James Riley Bishop, Cadillac

Suspensions, Expulsions and Reinstatements

Reported to the Grand Council by subordinate councils within its jurisdiction for the year 1901.

SUSPENDED AND EXPELLED.

MONROE, No. 1.

Lyman W. Blakely,	suspended,	N. P. D.,	Sept. 30, 1901.
Thos. J. Hewson,	"	"	"
Chas. F. Hunt,	"	"	"
Geo. W. Lee,	"	"	"
Neal McMillan,	"	"	"
Walter B. Parke,	"	"	"
Stephen Pratt, 2d.	"	"	"
Thos. Seabury,	"	"	"
Alfred N. Seymour,	"	"	"
John B. Thompson,	"	"	"
Denman S. Wagstaff,	"	"	"
Saturinus Jasnowski,	"	"	"
Chas. J. Artimage,	"	Oct. 28,	"
Frank H. Allison,	"	"	"
David H. Bedford,	"	"	"
Chas. Daniels,	"	"	"
Albert C. Miller,	"	"	"
Daniel P. Ortwine,	"	"	"
Alfred Rentz,	"	"	"
Allen C. Rastall,	"	"	"
William J. H. Traynor,	"	"	"
Chas. H. Culver,	"	by lodge,	Nov. 6, 1900.
Geo. M. Cosper,	"	by chap.,	Feb. 23, 1899.
Wm. Hubbell,	"	by lodge,	Nov. 14, 1899.

Moses Humphrey, suspended by chap., Sept. 6, 1900.
 Dugald McLachlan, " by chap., Oct. 24, 1901.
 Geo. W. Millaird, " by lodge, Sept. 5, 1901.
 Wm. H. Malberg, " by lodge, Dec. 3, 1900.
 Wm. Strachan, " by chap., Nov. 3, 1901.
 Elias H. Sellers, " by lodge, Nov. 21, 1901.

TYRE, No. 10.

Chas. L. Lawton, suspended, N. P. D. Dec. 3, 1901.
 Luther Lemon, " " " "

UNION, No. 11.

James M. Crumbie, suspended, N. P. D., Dec. 6, 1901.
 A. Lincoln Roberts, " " " "
 Ad J. Mayhew, " " " "
 John Van Fessen, " " Nov. 15, "

NILES, No. 19.

Chas. A. Johnson, withdrawn from lodge, Oct. 22, 1901.
 Thos. T. Kenney, suspended, N. P. D., Apr. 2, "

SAGINAW, No. 20.

Wm. B. Moore, suspended, by chap., Aug. 7, 1901.
 Stewart W. Kennedy, " by chap., Dec. 3, "

ADONIRAN, No. 24.

Adelphus E. Hewett, suspended, N. P. D., Nov. 26, 1901.
 Noah W. Halt, " " " "
 Chas. Yarrington, " " " "

OCEANA, No. 27.

John V. Cahill, suspended, N. P. D., Dec. 9, 1901.
 H. B. Hatch, " " " "
 James R. McClure, " " " "
 Fred Nielsen, expelled, U. M. C., Dec. 9, "

JACKSON, No. 32.

A. J. Cummings, suspended by lodge, June 6, 1901.
 Alfred C. Cowherd, suspended, N. P. D., Nov. 13, "

NEBUZARADAN, No. 37.

Joseph H. Rile, Dec. 23, 1901.

LAPEER, No. 42.

Daniel C. Miller, suspended, N. P. D., Dec. 6, 1901.

Amos Kennedy, " " " "

LAWRENCE, No. 43.

Lee L. Loria, suspended, N. P. D., Jan. 10, 1901.

SOUTH HAVEN, No. 45.

Norman S. Horton, suspended, N. P. D., Nov. 28, 1901.

LESLIE, No. 50.

Elizo Flora, suspended by lodge.

GRAND HAVEN, No. 51.

Gerardus A. Kanters, susp., N. P. D., Dec. 6, 1901.

BAY CITY, No. 53.

Zachariah T. Mason, suspended, N. P. D., Dec. 9, 1901.

Frank H. Shearer, " " " "

MARINE CITY, No. 59.

Jos. Vallie, suspended, N. P. D., Apr. 12, 1900

TRAVERSE CITY, No. 61.

E. L. Edward, suspended, N. P. D., Dec. 6, 1901.

Anton Olson, " by lodge, Dec. 6, "

RESTORED.

PONTIAC, No. 3.

Chas. F. Truestead, —, 1901.

SAGINAW, No. 20.

John J. Flood, Jan. 7, 1901.

Demetrius R. Brown, Sept. 2, 1901.

JACKSON, No. 32.

G. D. Lathrop, Jan. 7, 1901.

M. W. Dwelle, Jan. 7, 1901.

J. D. Clark, Feb. 4, 1901.

LAWRENCE, No. 43.

Chas. G. Agrell, Apr. 4, 1901.

Victor M. Tuthill, Dec. 26, 1901.

TRAVERSE CITY, No. 61.

Wm. Isles, Dec. 6, 1901.

In Memoriam

Companion

Loyd B. Hess

Past M. J. Grand Master

Michigan

Died Jan. 10, 1901, aged 51 years.

In Memoriam

Companion

George H. Stephenson

Past M. J. Grand Master

Michigan

Died September 27, 1901, Aged 63 years.

In Memoriam.

Companion

Frederic Carosso Winslow

Past M. J. Grand Master

Illinois

Died October 10, 1901, aged 51 years.

In Memoriam.

Companion

George Whitfield Bentley

Past M. J. Grand Master

Massachusetts

Died June 5, 1901, aged 79 years,

In Memoriam

Companion

John Logan Power

Grand Recorder

Mississippi

Died September 24, 1901, aged 67 years.

In Memoriam

Companion

John W. Chamberlain

Grand Representative of Michigan near

Ohio

Died August 11, 1901.

In Memoriam

Companion

Christian F. Knapp

Past M. J. Grand Master

Pennsylvania

Died April 13, 1901, aged 78 years.

In Memoriam

Companion

Elijah Mount Beatty

First Thrice Illustrious Master

in

Washington

Died July 13, 1901, aged 71 years.

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DEATHS REPORTED TO THE GRAND COUNCIL FOR THE YEAR 1901.

Monroe,	No. 1....	WM. G. YOUNG.....	Jan.	31, 1901
"	"	"....DE LANCEY HAVENS ..	Dec.	31, 1900
"	"	"....FRED W. MARTIN.....	Jan.	6, 1901
"	"	"....FRANK T. SCHWINDEN..	Feb.	26, 1901
"	"	"....DAVID G. COLEMAN....	June	27, "
"	"	"....WM. W. PETTERICK ...	June	27, "
"	"	"....JOHN A. DICK	July	10, "
"	"	"....GEO. HEIGHO.....	Oct.	28, "
"	"	"....WALTER H. COOTS	Nov.	20, "
Pontiac,	No. 3....	HENRY E. ALLISON	Jan.	10, "
"	"	"....THERON A. FLOWER...Mar.		21, "
Zabud,	No. 9....	E. DARWIN BEACH	Oct.	16, "
Tyre,	No. 10....	JOHN W. CHAMPLIN...July		24, "
"	"	"....JAMES HANSEN.....	June	16, "
"	"	"....WM. H. LECKIE.....	Sept.	22, "
"	"	"....ELIAS SKINNER.....	Sept.	10, "
Ypsilanti,	No. 11....	ALONZO E. EDSON	Feb.	2, "
"	"	"....GEO. B. FOLLMER.....	Jan.	22, "
"	"	"....PORTER W. FELT	Oct.	12, "
"	"	"....MILO B. SCHAFER'....	May	13, "
"	"	"....GEO. WILSON.....	Nov.	29, "
Ionia,	No. 12....	JOHN W. BALDIE.....	May	13, "
Sturgis,	No. 13....	EDWIN C. STONE.....	Jan.	26, "
Mt. Ararat,	No. 15....	FLOYD J. WILSON.....	Nov.	17, "
"	"	"....WM. W. DONAGHY.....	Dec.	7, "
Putnam,	No. 16....	ISAAC A. BROWN.....	May	6, "
"	"	"....RANSON J. EATON.....	Oct.	13, "
"	"	"....JAMES LOWE.....	May	25, "
Adrian,	No. 18....	D. W. BUNUM.....		"
Niles,	No. 19....	WM. J. GILBERT.....	Mar.	22, "
"	"	"....WM. DRAKE.....	Dec.	14, "
Saginaw,	No. 20....	WM. PATRICK.....	Feb.	20, "
"	"	"....CHESTER A. RECORD...Sept.		23, "
"	"	"....JOHN J. SEAGUS.....	Oct.	2, "
"	"	"....WM. L. WEBBER.....	Oct.	14, "

In Memoriam

St. Johns,	No. 21....	JOHN H. FEDEWA.....	Jan.	27, 1901
"	"	"....WM. W. BRAINARD....		
"	"	"....MICHAEL S. DOYLE.....		
"	"	"....GEO. H. STEPHENSON..	Sept.	27, "
Portland,	No. 23....	ALBERT F. MOREHOUSE..	May	17, "
Adoniram,	No. 24....	ORLANDO A. BOYD.....		
Clinton,	No. 26....	CHAS. E. JESSUP.....	Oct.	15, "
Lansing,	No. 29....	JOHN T. PAGE.....	Feb.	12, "
"	"	"....LELAND H. BRIGGS	Mar.	15, "
"	"	"....EDWIN M. ESSELSTYN..	Apr.	7, "
"	"	"....GEO. W. CHAMBERS ...	July	2, "
Jackson,	No. 32....	H. J. HALE.....	Oct.	"
"	"	"....JAMES E. WEBLE.....	June	"
Union City,	No. 35....	CYRENIUS B. KNIGHT..	Dec.	26, 1900
"	"	"....ABRAHAM B. AIKEN...	July	13, 1901
Charlotte,	No. 36....	FREDERICK E. LEITER..	July	10, "
"	"	"....LAFAYETTE ROWLEY..	Dec.	16, "
Nebuzaradan,	No. 37....	LOYD B. HESS.....	June	10, "
Holly,	No. 39....	CARL J. ALLEN.....	Oct.	27, "
Lawrence,	No. 43....	WM. L. BIDWELL.....	Dec.	19, "
South Haven,	No. 45....	CHAS. DELAMERE.....	Apr.	28, "
Manistee,	No. 46....	LEMUAL WELLMAN....	Feb.	10, "
Ludington,	No. 48....	JAMES B. MCMAHON..	Mar.	15, "
Giblum,	No. 49....	CHAS. PRICHARD.....	Nov.	30, "
Leslie,	No. 50....	PETER ERLL.....	Aug.	17, "
Bay City,	No. 53....	ROSSEAU O. CRUMB...	May	1, "
"	"	"....WM. T. SMALLEY.....	Aug.	9, "
"	"	"....CHAS. E. YOUNG.....	July	3, "
Muskegon,	No. 54....	OLIVER C. WILLIAMS..	July	8, "
Reed City,	No. 55....	WILLARD C. BEECHER..	Jan.	4, "
Flint,	No. 56....	HERB. N. WOODWARD..		1900
"	"	"....GEO. H. STEWART....	Aug.	20, 1901
Albion,	No. 57....	ALMON G. BRUCE.....	Feb.	9, "
"	"	"....LOUIS N. KEELER.....	July	7, "
Marine City,	No. 59....	EBER B. MCQUEEN....	Apr.	"
Traverse City,	No. 61....	WM. A. NEWTON.....	Aug.	20, "
Kalamazoo,	No. 63....	WILLIAM McDONALD..	Mar.	16, "
Cadillac,	No. 70....	ELWOOD PECK.....	Dec.	19, "

ROYAL AND SELECT MASTERS.

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GRAND OFFICERS OF THE GRAND COUNCIL OF MICHIGAN.

Year	T. I. G. P.	D. I. G. P.	G. T. I.
1858	*N. B. Carpenter..	*Simeon B. Brown.	*Frank Darrow
1859	*N. B. Carpenter..	*Simeon B. Brown.	*Frank Darrow
1860	*Frank Darrow....	*John Clark.....	D. Burnham Tracy
1861	*John Clark.....	D. Burnham Tracy	*B. F. Doughty
1862	D. Burnham Tracy	*E. A. Elliott.....	*Garra B. Noble
1863	*E. A. Elliott.....	*Garra B. Noble..	*David Bovee
1864	*Garra B. Noble..	*David Bovee.....	*Seaman L. Dart
1865	*David Bovee.....	*Seaman L. Dart..	*Edw. D. Benedict
1866	*Seaman L. Dart..	*Edw. D. Benedict.	W. S. Edwards
1867	W. S. Edwards...	*Wm. Walker.....	*J. T. Hayden
1868	*J. T. Hayden....	OliverL. Spaulding	*J. W. Champlin
1869	*Chas. H. Putnam.	OliverL. Spaulding	*Ebenezer Sprague
1870	OliverL. Spaulding	*Ebenezer Sprague.	†H. Shaw Noble
1871	*Ebenezer Sprague.	†H. Shaw Noble..	*Wm. Brown
1872	†H. Shaw Noble..	*Wm. Brown.....	*Mort. Mansfield
1873	*Wm. Brown.....	*Mort. Mansfield...	E. M. Doan

OFFICERS UNDER THE CONSTITUTION AS AMENDED IN 1874.

Year	M. I. G. Master.	Deputy G. Master.	G. P. C. of Work.
1874	*Wm. Brown.....	*Mort. Mansfield..	†George Hill
1875	*Mort. Mansfield..	†George Hill.....	*J. R. Everard
1876	†George Hill.....	*J. R. Everard....	†Andrew J. Utley
1877	*J. R. Everard....	†Andrew J. Utley..	Cor'l's B. Reynolds
1878	†Andrew J. Utley..	*C. W. Strait.....	David Woodward
1879	Hugh McCurdy...	David Woodward.	*Rufus C. Hatheway
1880	David Woodward.	*Rufus C. Hatheway	Wm. G. Hudson
1881	*Rufus C. Hatheway	Wm. G. Hudson..	*Geo. H. Greene
1882	Wm. G. Hudson..	*George H. Greene.	James H. Cummins
1883	*George H. Greene.	James H. Cummins	*G. H. Stephenson
1884	James H. Cummins	*G. H. Stephenson.	*Alfred Baldrey
1885	*G. H. Stephenson.	Alfred Baldrey...	†Alfred G. Gully
1886	Alfred Baldrey...	†Alfred G. Gully..	Allen McKee
1887	†Alfred G. Gully..	Allen McKee.....	Thos. G. Greene
1888	Allen McKee.....	Thos. G. Greene..	Sanford Hunt
1889	Thos. G. Greene..	Sanford Hunt....	Traverse Phillips
1890	Traverse Phillips.	Marcus D. Elliott.	*Chas. R. Bagg
1891	*Charles R. Bagg..	Horace E. Hatch..	Frank N. Clark
1892	Horace E. Hatch..	Frank N. Clark...	Emerson M. Newell
1893	Frank N. Clark...	E. M. Newell.....	Geo. A. Cross
1894	Emerson M. Newell	George A. Cross..	Geo. P. McMahon
1895	George A. Cross..	Geo. P. McMahon	*Loyd B. Hess
1896	Geo. P. McMahon	*Loyd B. Hess.....	Charles M. Norton
1897	*Loyd B. Hess.....	Charles M. Norton	George D. Smith
1898	Chas. M. Norton..	Geo. D. Smith....	Richard A. Catton
1899	Geo. D. Smith....	Richard A. Catton	Ithamer T. Smith
1900	Richard A. Catton	Ithamer T. Smith.	Byron C. Hill
1901	Ithamer T. Smith.	Byron C. Hill.....	John H. Kingsley
1902	Byron C. Hill.....	John H. Kingsley.	Dallas D. Alton

*Deceased.

†Removed from Jurisdiction.

‡Suspended.

GRAND COUNCIL OF
OFFICERS FROM ORGANIZATION TO 1874.

Year	G. P. C. of W.	Grand Treasurer.	Grand Recorder.
1858	R. W. Davis.....	*Ezra Rood.....	*N. P. Jacobs
1859	*John Clark.....	" "	" "
1860	*B. F. Doughty...	" "	" "
1861	*Ebenezer Sprague.	" "	" "
1862	*David Bovee.....	" "	*Oliver Bourke
1863	*Seaman L. Dart..	" "	" "
1864	*Edw. D. Benedict.	" "	" "
1865	W. S. Edwards...	" "	" "
1866	*Wm. Walker.....	*J. T. Hayden	" "
1867	William F. King..	*Wm. Barclay.....	" "
1868	M. Walter.....	" "	" "
1869	†H. Shaw Noble...	" "	" "
1870	*Wm. Brown.....	" "	" "
1871	*Alfred I. Sawyer..	" "	*Garra B. Noble
1872	E. M. Doan.....	*E. A. Elliott.....	" "
1873	†George Hill.....	" "	" "

OFFICERS UNDER THE CONSTITUTION AS AMENDED IN 1874.

Year	Grand Treasurer.	Grand Recorder.	Grand Chaplain.
1874	*E. A. Elliott	*G. B. Noble	†Rev. A. J. Davis
1875	" "	" "	*B. F. Doughty
1876	" "	" "	" "
1877	" "	" "	" "
1878	" "	" "	" "
1879	" "	" "	" "
1880	†H. Shaw Noble...	" "	Rev. F. A. Blades
1881	" "	" "	" "
1882	" "	" "	" "
1883	" "	" "	" "
1884	" "	" "	" "
1885	" "	" "	" "
1886	" "	" "	" "
1887	" "	" "	" "
1888	" "	" "	" "
1889	" "	" "	" "
1890	" "	" "	" "
1891	" "	" "	" "
1892	" "	" "	" "
1893	" "	" "	" "
1894	" "	" "	" "
1895	*Geo. H. Greene...	" "	" "
1896	" "	" "	" "
1897	" "	J. S. Conover.....	" "
1898	" "	" "	" "
1899	" "	" "	" "
1900	Chas. M. Norton..	" "	" "
1901	" "	" "	" "
1902	" "	" "	" "

*Deceased.

†Removed from Jurisdiction.

‡Suspended.

ROYAL AND SELECT MASTERS.

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OFFICERS FROM 1858 TO 1874.

Year	Grand Chaplain.	G. Capt. of Guard.	Grand Steward.
1858	*George B. Engle..	*T. A. Flower.....	*A. B. Cudworth
1859	*George B. Engle..	A. J. Cummings..	*A. B. Cudworth
1860	*L. H. Corson.....	*S. B. Morse.....	*Wm. P. Innes
1861	Rev. F. A. Blades	*Seaman L. Dart..	*A. B. Ayers
1862	S. Caulkins.....	*Chas. H. Putnam..	*A. McCrea
1863	D. B. Lyon	*J. P. Whiting.....	H. A. Tillotson
1864	Sylvester Caulkins	*J. P. Whiting.....	*A. E. Palmer
1865	*Rev. L. H. Corson	*J. P. Whiting.....	D. H. Baker
1866	*B. F. Doughty....	W. F. King.....	M. Ayers
1867	Rev. G. E. Peters.	*J. W. Champlin..	*S. C. Munson
1868	Rev. G. E. Peters.	†H. Shaw Noble...	Theo. Beaver
1869	Rev. G. E. Peters.	J. E. Marvin.....	Charles Lowe
1870	J. Boynton.....	J. B. Nixon.....	*A. I. Sawyer
1871	†Rev. A. J. Davis.	E. M. Doan.....	Cor'l's B. Reynolds
1872	†Rev. A. J. Davis.	†George Hill.....	†A. J. Utley
1873	†Rev. A. J. Davis.	†A. J. Utley	Cor'l's B. Reynolds

OFFICERS UNDER THE CONSTITUTION AS AMENDED IN 1874.

Year	G. Capt. of Guard.	Gd. Cond. of Coun.	Grand Steward.
1874	†Andrew J. Utley..	*J. R. Everard.....	Cor'l's B. Reynolds
1875	†Andrew J. Utley..	Cor'l's B. Reynolds	J. M. Rice
1876	Cor'l's B. Reynolds	J. M. Rice.....	Wm. S. Turck
1877	*C. W. Strait	W. S. Turck.....	*Rufus C. Hatheway
1878	W. S. Turck.....	*Rufus C. Hatheway	*Geo. H. Greene
1879	W. G. Hudson....	*Geo. H. Greene...	H. L. Anthony
1880	*Geo. H. Greene...	J. H. Cummins....	*G. H. Stephenson
1881	J. H. Cummins...	*G. H. Stephenson.	Alfred Baldrey
1882	*G. H. Stephenson.	Alfred Baldrey...	†Alfred G. Gulley
1883	Alfred Baldrey...	†Alfred G. Gulley..	Edwin M. Adams
1884	†Alfred G. Gulley..	*Allen McKee.....	Thos. G. Greene
1885	Allen McKee.....	Thos. G. Greene..	Sanford Hunt
1886	Thos. G. Greene..	Sanford Hunt....	Traverse Phillips
1887	Sanford Hunt....	Traverse Phillips.	Marcus D. Elliott
1888	Traverse Phillips.	Marcus D. Elliott.	*Chas. R. Bagg
1889	Marcus D. Elliott.	*Chas. R. Bagg....	Horace E. Hatch
1890	Horace E. Hatch..	Frank N. Clark...	*Parm S. De Graff
1891	E. M. Newell.....	Geo. A. Cross ...	Geo. P. McMahon
1892	Geo. A. Cross	Geo. P. McMahon	*Loyd B. Hess
1893	Geo. P. McMahon	*Loyd B. Hess....	*Almon G. Bruce
1894	*Loyd B. Hess.....	Chas. M. Norton..	George D. Smith
1895	Chas. M. Norton..	Geo. D. Smith....	Richard A. Catton
1896	Geo. D. Smith....	Richard A. Catton	Ithamer T. Smith
1897	Richard A. Catton	Ithamer T. Smith.	Byron C. Hill
1898	Ithamer T. Smith.	Byron C. Hill....	John H. Kingsley
1899	Byron C. Hill....	John H. Kingsley.	Dallas D. Alton
1900	John H. Kingsley.	Dallas D. Alton..	Paul A. Cowgill
1901	Dallas D. Alton..	Paul A. Cowgill..	Bayard A. Church
1902	Paul A. Cowgill..	Bayard A. Church	Lou B. Winsor

GRAND SENTINEL.

Charles D. Howard, 1858 to 1864. William V. Griffith, 1865 to 1882. *Alexander McGregor, 1883 to 1896. James F. McGregor, 1897-1902.

*Deceased. †Removed from Jurisdiction. ‡Suspended.

Grand Representatives

OF SISTER GRAND COUNCILS NEAR THE GRAND COUNCIL OF ROYAL
AND SELECT MASTERS OF MICHIGAN.

Grand Council.	Representatives.	Address.
Alabama.....	WILL Z. SEARLE.....	Petoskey.
Arkansas.....		
California.....	BAYARD A. CHURCH.....	St. Louis.
Canada.....	GEO. P. McMAHON.....	Detroit.
Connecticut.....	ITHAMER T. SMITH.....	Hudson.
England and Wales.....	OLIVER L. SPAULDING.....	St. Johns.
Florida.....	RICHARD A. CATTON.....	Detroit.
Georgia.....	CHARLES L. FITCH.....	Grand Rapids.
Illinois.....	JEFFERSON S. CONOVER.....	Coldwater.
Indiana.....	JOHN W. FINCH.....	Adrian.
Indian Territory.....	MARSHALL L. CAMPBELL.....	Leslie.
Iowa.....	JOHN H. KINGSLEY.....	Manchester.
Kansas.....	MARTIN E. AULSBROOK.....	Sturgis.
Kentucky.....	JAMES H. CUMMINS.....	Holly.
Louisiana.....	OLIVER L. SPAULDING.....	St. Johns.
Maine.....	WILLIAM S. TURCK.....	Alma.
Maryland.....	ALLEN MCKEE.....	Manistee.
Massachusetts.....	LOU B. WINSOR.....	Reed City.
Minnesota.....	LEWIS C. GOODRICH.....	Ann Arbor.
Mississippi.....	FREDERICK E. SWAIN.....	St. Johns.
Missouri.....	WILLIAM G. HUDSON.....	Ludington.
Nebraska.....	HENRY C. GIBB.....	Detroit.
New Brunswick.....	GEORGE D. SMITH.....	Muskegon.
New York.....	EMERSON M. NEWELL.....	Fenton.
New Hampshire.....	HORACE S. MAYNARD.....	Charlotte.
North Carolina.....	TRAVERSE PHILLIPS.....	Hastings.
New Jersey.....	HUGH McCURDY.....	Corunna.
Ohio.....	GEORGE A. CROSS.....	Lawrence.
Oregon.....	CHARLES M. NORTON.....	Lansing.
Pennsylvania.....	FRANK N. CLARK.....	Northville.
Rhode Island.....	DAVID WOODWARD.....	Clinton.
South Carolina.....	DORR DARLING.....	Jonesville.
Tennessee.....	PAUL A. COWGILL.....	Lapeer.
Vermont.....	THERON F. GIDDINGS.....	Detroit.
Wisconsin.....	MARCUS D. ELLIOTT.....	Holly.
Washington.....	WM. R. DUNN.....	Detroit.

Grand Representatives

OF THE GRAND COUNCIL OF ROYAL AND SELECT MASTERS OF
MICHIGAN NEAR SISTER GRAND COUNCILS.

Grand Council.	Representatives.	Address.
Alabama.....	HENRY MATTHEWS	Montgomery.
Arkansas.....	SAMUEL W. WILLIAMS	Little Rock.
California.....	WM. MONROE PETRIE	Sacramento.
Canada.....	ROBERT L. PATTERSON	Toronto.
Connecticut.....	FRED H. WALDRON	New Haven.
England and Wales.....	C. FITZGERALD MATIER	M'k Masons' Hall Great Queen st., London, W. C.
Florida.....	JOHN CARLOVITZ	Milton.
Georgia.....	Y. A. WRIGHT.....	Jackson.
Illinois.....	JOHN B. FITHIAN.....	Joliet.
Indiana.....	WALTER R. GODFREY.....	Michigan City.
Indian Territory.....	CONNELL ROGERS.....	Muskogee.
Iowa.....	W. D. IRVINE.....	Sioux City.
Kansas.....	THOMAS G. FITCH	Wichita.
Kentucky.....	J. SOULE SMITH	Lexington.
Louisiana.....	HENRY HAMBERGER	New Orleans.
Maine.....	HORACE H. BURBANK.....	Saco.
Massachusetts.....	EUGENE A. HOLTON.....	Boston.
Maryland.....	WILLIAM DOCHTERMAN	Baltimore.
Mississippi.....	J. J. BROOKS	Jonestown.
Missouri.....	JOSEPH S. BROWNE.....	St. Joseph.
Minnesota.....	GEO. FORSYTH.....	Brainard.
Manitoba.....	JOHN HEADLEY BELL.....	Winnipeg.
Nebraska.....	DANIEL H. WHEELER.....	Omaha.
New Brunswick.....	WM. MARSHALL BLACK.....	Wolfville.
New Hampshire.....	JAMES HENRY BLAKE.....	Nashua.
New York.....	PETER FORRESTER.....	N. Y. City.
New Jersey.....	LINSLEY ROWE	Jersey City.
North Carolina.....	FERDINAND ULRICH.....	New Berne.
Oregon.....	PHILIP S. MALCOLM	Portland.
Ohio.....	ABNER ROYCE.....	Cleveland.
Pennsylvania.....	JAMES S. BARBER	Philadelphia.
Rhode Island.....	HORACE K. BLANCHARD.....	Providence.
South Carolina.....	JAMES R. JOHNSON.....	Charleston.
Tennessee.....	W. T. THOMAS	Cumberland City
Vermont.....	MARSH OLIN PERKINS.....	Windsor.
Washington.....	W. A. ACUFF.....	Spokane.

Address of Grand Recorders.

Alabama—Benj. M. Jacobs, Montgomery.
Arkansas—Fay Hemstead, Little Rock.
California—William A. Davies, Masonic Temple, San Francisco.
Colorado—Ernest LeNeve Foster, Denver.
Connecticut—James McCormick, Hartford.
England—C. F. Matier, M'k Mas. Hall, Gt. Q. st., London, W. C.
Florida—John Carlovitz, Milton.
Georgia—W. A. Wolihin, Macon.
Gen. Gd. Council—Henry W. Mordhurst, Fort Wayne.
Illinois—Gil. W. Barnard, Masonic Temple, Chicago.
Indiana—Calvin W. Prather, Indianapolis.
Indian Territory—J. S. Murrow, Otoka.
Iowa—Alf. Wingate, Des Moines.
Kansas—William M. Shaver, Topeka.
Kentucky—James W. Staton, Brooksville.
Louisiana—Richard Lambert, Masonic Temple, New Orleans.
Maine—Stephen Berry, Portland.
Maryland—George L. McCahan, Masonic Temple, Baltimore.
Massachusetts—J. Gilman Waite, Masonic Temple, Boston.
Minnesota—Thomas Montgomery, St. Paul.
Michigan—Jefferson S. Conover, Coldwater.
Mississippi—
Missouri—William H. Mayo, Masonic Temple, St. Louis.
New Hampshire—Frank D. Woodbury, Concord.
Nebraska—Francis E. White, 1608 Capital Ave., Omaha.
New Jersey—Charles Bechtel, Trenton.
New York—George H. Van Vleit, 16 8th Ave., New York City.
New Brunswick—John A. Watson, Saint John.
North Carolina—James C. Munds, Wilmington.
Ohio—William E. Evans, Chillicothe.
Oregon—Seth L. Pope, Portland.
Ontario—A. G. Horford, Toronto.
Pennsylvania—Joshua L. Lyte, Lancaster.
Rhode Island—William R. Greene, Providence.
Scotland—
South Carolina—Zimmerman Davis, Charleston.
Tennessee—W. A. Clendening, Nashville.
Vermont—Warren G. Reynolds, Burlington.
Washington—Edware R. Hare, Tacoma.
Wisconsin—William W. Perry, Milwaukee.

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS
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OF
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Grand Council of Royal & Select Masters
OF THE
STATE OF MICHIGAN.

WITH AMENDMENTS UP TO AND INCLUDING JANUARY, 1902.

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I.
THE GRAND COUNCIL.

MEMBERS.

SECTION 1. The Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of the State of Michigan shall consist of a
Most Illustrious Grand Master,
Deputy Grand Master,
Grand Principal Conductor of the Work,
Grand Treasurer,
Grand Recorder,
Grand Chaplain,
Grand Captain of the Guard,
Grand Conductor of the Council,
Grand Steward, and
Grand Sentinel,
To which may be added
Grand Marshal or Grand Master of Ceremonies,

And all

Past Thrice Illustrious Puissants,
 Past Most Illustrious Grand Masters,
 Past Thrice Illustrious Deputy Grand Puissants,
 Past Deputy Grand Masters,
 Past Grand Thrice Illustrious, and
 Past Grand Principal Conductors of the Work,

Together with the

Thrice Illustrious Masters,
 Deputy Masters, and
 Principal Conductors of the Work, for the time being, of the
 several Subordinate Councils under the jurisdiction of
 this Grand Council,

Or

Their Proxies. duly empowered,

And

All Past Thrice Illustrious Grand Masters, and Past Thrice
 Illustrious Masters, who are members of Subordinate
 Councils, who have presided one year over a Council
 in this State.

REPRESENTATION NECESSARY.

SEC. 2. There shall not be a Grand Council opened for business unless there shall be present a representation from at least two subordinate working Councils.

POWER OF GRAND COUNCIL.

(Amended January, 1896).

SEC. 3. The Grand Council shall have sole government and superintendence of the several Subordinate Councils in this State, shall assign their limits, and establish the fees for admission. In all cases of controversy, an appeal shall lie from an aggrieved Council, or any member of a Council, to this Grand Council. It shall also have power to grant Charters constituting new Councils of Royal and Select Masters within the State of Michigan.

MEETINGS.

(Amended 1879).

SEC. 4. The annual meetings of the Grand Council shall be held on the day preceding the annual meeting of the Grand Chapter, in each and every year, at 7:30 o'clock P. M., at such place as shall be designated by the Grand Chapter; but a Special Assembly of the Grand Council may be called whenever the Most

Illustrious Grand Master, Deputy Grand Master and Grand Principal Conductor of Work shall deem it necessary.

DUTIES OF PRINCIPAL OFFICERS.

SEC. 5. It shall be the duty of the Most Illustrious Grand Master, Deputy Grand Master and Principal Conductor of the Work, severally, to inform and perfect themselves in the Sublime Art and work of Royal, Select and Super Excellent Masters; to make themselves acquainted with the Lectures and Ancient Charges; and to consult with each other, for the purpose of adopting suitable measures for diffusing the knowledge of the Work and Lectures, and to secure uniformity in the several Sub-ordinate Councils under this jurisdiction.

DISPENSATIONS AND CHARTERS.

SEC. 6. The Most Illustrious Grand Master and the Deputy Grand Master shall have authority, during the recess of the Grand Council, to grant Letters of Dispensation, under their respective signatures and private seals, to a competent number of duly qualified petitioners, empowering them to open and hold a Council of Royal and Select Masters for a specific term of time, not extending beyond the next meeting of the Grand Council: *Provided*, That the same fees as are required for a Charter shall be first deposited in the hands of the Grand Recorder. And in all cases where such Dispensation is granted, the officer granting the same shall make report thereof at the next meeting of the Grand Council; and the Grand Council may continue or recall such Dispensation, or may, upon application for the same, grant the petitioners a Charter; and in case a Charter be so granted, the fees first deposited with the Grand Recorder shall be credited in payment for the same; but if the Dispensation is not continued, or Charter granted, the money to be returned, except necessary expenses.

SEC. 7. No Dispensation or Charter shall be issued for instituting a Council of Royal Masters independent of Select Masters.

SEC. 8. No Dispensation or Charter for the instituting of a new Council of Royal and Select Masters shall be granted, except upon the petition of nine Royal and Select Masters; which petition shall be accompanied by a certificate from the Council nearest to the place where the new Council is to be formed

vouching for the moral character and Masonic ability of the petitioners, and recommending the Grand Council to grant the prayer of the same.

CHARTER FEE.

SEC. 9. No Charter shall be granted for establishing a Council of Royal and Select Masters for a less sum than twenty-five (\$25) dollars.

LIMIT OF NUMBER OF COUNCILS.

SEC. 10. There shall not be a greater number of Councils established in this State than there are Royal Arch Chapters, nor more than one Council within the jurisdiction of each Chapter.

ELIGIBILITY TO OFFICE.

SEC. 11. No Companion shall be eligible to an office in this Grand Council higher than the highest corresponding office to which he shall have been regularly elected in some Subordinate Council.

AMENDMENTS, ETC.

SEC. 12. This Grand Body, by vote of two-thirds of its members present, may amend this Constitution at any annual session without previous notice.

ARTICLE II.

SUBORDINATE COUNCILS.

OFFICERS AND MEMBERS.

SECTION 1. A Council of Royal and Select Masters shall consist of a

Thrice Illustrious Master,
Deputy Master,
Principal Conductor of the Work,
Treasurer,
Recorder,
Captain of the Guard,
Conductor of the Council,
Steward and Sentinel, and

As many members as may be found convenient for working to advantage, and ought to assemble for work at least once in three months.

STANDING OF COUNCILS.

SEC. 2. No Council of Royal and Select Masters in this State shall be considered legal unless it has a Charter from the Grand Council, or a Dispensation from one of the Grand Officers; and Masonic communication, either public or private, is hereby interdicted and forbidden between any Council under this jurisdiction, or any member thereof, and any Council or assemblage that may be so illegally established without such Charter or Dispensation, or any person admitted in such illegal Council, but nothing in this section shall be so construed as to affect any Council, or the members of any Council, which may be established by proper authority in other States.

APPLICATION FOR THE DEGREES.

SEC. 3. All applications for the degrees of Royal and Select Master, or membership in any Subordinate Council under this jurisdiction, shall be by petition in writing to the nearest Council, from a member of a Royal Arch Chapter regularly constituted in accordance with the rules and regulations of the General Grand Chapter of the United States, and subordinate to the same, and also to the State Grand Chapter from which he hails, and shall lie over one lunar month after the same shall have been received and referred to a committee for inquiry, unless by a unanimous vote of the Companions present, in which case the application may be acted upon instantler, and an unanimous ballot shall be necessary in all cases.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

SEC. 4. The officers of the Several Subordinate Councils shall be chosen annually by ballot. A majority of the whole number present shall be necessary to elect; and the persons so chosen shall continue in office until their successors are duly elected and installed; which election shall take place on the regular meeting next preceding the festival of St. John the Evangelist.

DUTIES OF THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTER.

SEC. 5. The duties of Thrice Illustrious Master of every Subordinate Council has it in special charge, as appertaining to his office, duty and dignity, to see that the By-Laws of his Council, as well as the Constitution of the Grand Council, and general regulations of Royal and Select Masters, are duly observed and

obeyed; that all the officers of his Council perform the duties of their respective stations, and are examples of diligence and industry to their Companions; that true and accurate records of the proceedings of his Council be kept by the Recorder; that the Treasurer render just and accurate accounts of all moneys belonging to the Council; and that the annual dues to the Grand Council be regularly and punctually paid. He has the special charge and care of the Charter or Dispensation of his Council; he has a right to call his Council, at pleasure, upon any emergency. It is likewise his duty, together with the Deputy Master and Principal Conductor of the Work, to attend the meetings of the Grand Council, either in person or proxy, when duly summoned by the Grand Recorder.

DEGREE FEE.

SEC. 6. No Council under this jurisdiction shall confer the degrees of Royal and Select Master for a less sum than five (\$5) dollars.

DUES.

(Amended 1877. Proceedings, Page 19; Bound Volume, 464.)

SEC. 7. Each Subordinate Council may provide By-Laws for the assessment of such dues, as well as the time of their payment, as they may think proper.

DUES TO GRAND COUNCIL.

(Amended 1898. Proceedings, Page 47.)

SEC. 8. Each Subordinate Council shall pay to the Grand Council the following sums, to wit: For each Companion receiving the degrees of Royal and Select Master, \$1; for each member annually, twenty-five cents, except the Recorder; *Provided*, That all members over seventy years of age shall be exempt from the payment of dues to their Councils, and the Councils shall not be required to pay per capita dues to the Grand Council on members whom they shall exempt from the payment of dues by reason of being over seventy years of age.

The financial year shall terminate on the 27th day of December, and within ten days thereafter the Recorder shall transmit to the Grand Recorder the annual returns and dues for the year just closed, and in case of failure to do so, the representative shall forfeit his compensation in the Grand Council unless a reasonable excuse is given for such failure.

BY-LAWS

AND AMENDMENTS, PASSED JANUARY, 1874, AND UP TO
AND INCLUDING JANUARY, 1902.

I.

PRECEDENCE OF COUNCILS.

The several Councils in this State shall be numbered according to the date of their respective Charters.

II.

RETURNS TO GRAND COUNCIL.

Each Council in this State shall make returns to the Grand Council, at its annual Assembly, of the names of its officers and members, and of all Companions received and acknowledged the preceding year.

III.

COMPENSATION OF GRAND RECORDER.

The Grand Recorder shall receive an annual compensation of for his services, and five dollars for each Charter issued.

IV.

DUTY OF GRAND TREASURER.

It shall be the duty of the Grand Treasurer to receive all moneys, and at the stated meeting of the Grand Council he shall exhibit an accurate account of all receipts and disbursements; and no moneys shall be paid out by him without the consent of the Grand Council and the written order of the Most Illustrious Grand Master or officer presiding.

V.

DUTY OF GRAND RECORDER.

It shall be the duty of the Grand Recorder to keep a record of the Proceedings of the Grand Council.

VI.

DELINQUENT COUNCILS.

If any Council under this jurisdiction shall fail to assemble and work for the space of twelve months, or shall fail to be represented at the stated meetings of the Grand Council for the term

of two stated meetings in succession, or shall fail, for the same length of time, to discharge their dues, every such delinquent Council shall forfeit its Charter, together with all its jewels, furniture, and effects of every kind, subject to the disposal of the Grand Council, and shall be notified thereof by the Grand Recorder.

VII.

DIMITS, ETC.

(Passed 1878. Proceedings, Page 18).

Hereafter no Charters or Dispensations for new Councils will be granted unless the dimits of the petitioners accompany the petition for Dispensation.

VIII.

AMENDMENTS, ETC.

These By-Laws may be altered or amended in the same manner as the Constitution only.



EDICTS.

(Passed January, 1887. Proceedings, Page 23).

Whenever a Council shall have Masonic information that a Companion has been suspended in his Chapter, it shall be the duty of the Council to cause the like sentence to be entered in the Council, and a reinstatement in the Chapter shall be equivalent to a reinstatement in the Council.

No Companion shall be suspended for non-payment of dues except upon charges and specifications duly filed in the Council and trial had thereon.

(Adopted 1901. Proceedings, Page 25).

Voluntary non-affiliation in lodge or Chapter for six months shall deprive a Super Excellent and Royal and Select Master of his membership in the Council, and subject him to the same disabilities as if suspended.

(Passed January, 1893. Proceedings, Page 34).

Hereafter it shall be illegal and void for the M. I. G. M. to grant special dispensations permitting Councils to hold Special Assemblies at other places than where the Council is located.

(Passed January, 1894. Proceedings, Page 41)

When a Companion has been elected to receive the Council degrees and fails to present himself for the same within one year after receiving notice of such election, such election shall be null and void.

RESOLUTIONS.

(Passed January, 1900. Proceedings, Page 28).

Be it resolved, That when any subordinate Council of this Grand Jurisdiction may have heretofore, or shall hereafter become defunct, any member in good standing in such defunct Council, shall be entitled, on application, to a certificate from the Grand Recorder certifying to that fact, which certificate shall

confer upon the recipient the same standing, benefits, and obligations that would have been conferred upon him by a regular dimit;

Provided, That such applicant shall pay to the Grand Recorder all dues that he owes before receiving such certificate; the dues so received shall be turned into the Grand Treasury.

(Adopted January 1900. Proceedings Page 34.)

Whereas, It appears that in many of the Councils of the Royal and Select Masters of the State of Michigan, enough of the Companions have not received the degree of Super Excellent Master to enable the Council to confer the degree according to the present ritual; therefore, be it

Resolved, That in any such Council any Thrice Illustrious Master, Deputy Master or Past Thrice Illustrious Master of this state may communicate the Super Excellent degree to a sufficient number of the Companions belonging to such Council to enable such Council to confer the degree of Super Excellent Master according to the present ritual; and in any Council where the present Thrice Illustrious Master has not received the degree, the degree may be communicated to him by the officers above mentioned.

(Adopted 1901. Proceedings Page 19.)

The Grand Recorder is hereby directed to close his books and cash accounts on the 7th day of January in each year, and report to this Grand Council, as delinquent, every Council whose returns and dues are not in his hands by that date.

(Passed January, 1902. Proceedings, Page 27.)

Resolved, That each officer of this Grand Council, each Past Most Illustrious Grand Master, each member of Standing Committees and one representative of each subordinate Council shall be entitled to the sum of three dollars for attendance at an annual assembly of the Grand Council;

Provided, That each and every officer, Past Most Illustrious Grand Master, member of Standing Committee and representative of subordinate Council who shall be present and answer to roll call at every session of an annual assembly of the Grand Council shall be entitled to the sum of five dollars.

THE ACT OF INCORPORATION.

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE GRAND COUNCIL OF ROYAL AND
SELECT MASTERS OF MICHIGAN.

SECTION 1. *The people of the State of Michigan enact*, That the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of Michigan, by that name and style, is hereby incorporated and declared a body politic and corporate in deed and law, capable of suing and being sued, pleading and being impleaded, answering and being answered, defending and being defended, in all courts and places whatsoever, in all manner of action, suits, complaints, matters and causes whatsoever, and shall have a common seal which it may change at pleasure.

SEC. 2. The officers of said corporation shall be the Grand Master, Deputy Grand Master, and Grand Recorder for the time being, and they shall constitute the board of directors of said corporation for the transaction of all business authorized by this act.

SEC. 3. Said corporation, under the direction of the Grand Council when assembled, may make and establish all necessary by-laws and rules for its governance and the governance of Subordinate Councils under the jurisdiction of the Grand Council, relating to the business and property authorized to be done, held and conveyed by this act; and said corporation may take, hold and convey, as may be required from time to time, any real and personal estate for the purpose of its or their organizations, not exceeding in value in the aggregate the sum of fifty thousand dollars; and all real and personal estate so held may be conveyed by deed or bill of sale in the name of said corporation, executed by the Grand Master for the time being, or by such other person as the board of directors may appoint for that purpose, under the seal of the Grand Council, and such conveyance so executed shall be valid and binding for all intents and purposes whatsoever; *Provided*, That the property of said association shall be subjected to taxation for all purposes.

This act is ordered to take immediate effect.

Approved March 26, 1895.

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